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SPORTS

Baseball team sweeps Rams, **Bucks**



The GHS varsity baseball team swept the Roscommon Bucks - a non-conference opponent - and the Harbor Springs Rams - a take Michigan Conference team in doubleheaders played at Grayling High School last

On Tuesday, in the squad's first series after spring break, Grayling defeated Roscommon 13-0, 10-5.

On Friday night, the Vikings got off to a 2-0 start in league play with two victories (14-10, 9-2) vs. the Harbor Springs Rams. Page 12

Softball squad posts 4-0 record in second week



In its second week of game action – its first coming prior to spring break - Grayling High School's varsity softball team swept the Roscommon Bucks and the Harbor Springs Rams on Tuesday and Friday, respectively, in games played at GHS.

On Tuesday night – the team's first doubleheader following spring break – the Vikings posted a 10-0 victory in game one of the series vs. Roscommon, a non-conference opponent.

Grayling won 7-1 in game two vs. the Bucks.

"Offensively, we were right: on track. The girls were seeing the ball well and had much better pitch selection. Jonipitched a great game, getting the shutout victory. It takes a lot of pressure off our pitchers when we can pound out hits like that." Coach Keri Brock said. Page 11

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The first 18 holes for the Grayling Rotary Professional Disc Golf Association (PDGA) Disc Golf Course are ready for play at Hanson Hills. Above, Jacob Bondar throws a colorful disc at a disc golf basket on a sunny Monday afternoon.

by Dan Sanderson

Staff Writer

Although there is still a large patch of snow at the Hanson Hills Recreation Area and chilly winds whip over the ski hills, attention has turned to one main activity for the young and old alike – disc golf.

The first 18 holes for the Grayling Rotary Professional Disc Golf Association (PDGA) Disc Golf Course are ready for play at Hanson Hills.

Disc golf enthusiasts and still doing some fine-tuning, but disc golf at Hanson Hills. Installing four-foot by 12-foot tee pads remains as the final work to complete the course. Either concrete or crushed limestone, which will harden when watered, will be used for the tec pads, depending on the labor and complexity of getting materials up the hilly terrain.

"It gone really well and we're

Grayling Rotary Club members it's 100 percent playable," said have gotten their first taste of Justin Andre, the director of Hanson Hills.

Disc golf is based on traditional golfing, but involves the use of Frisbees or specialty discs. The object is to throw the disc into a basket in the least amount of throws. The discs are thrown from the tee-pads to the greens. which are baskets that allow the disc to hit a chain and fall into

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City deals with hostile workplace complaint

Lansing attorney to investigate incident

by Dan Sanderson

Staff Writer

The Grayling City Council has turned the investigation of creating an alleged hostile workplace environment over to a third party.

The city council, last week, opted to have a Lansing attorney, who investigates hostile workplace environment complaints, investigate an incident that took place at city

Mayor Karl Schreiner asked Grayling City Police Chief Doug Baum, who is serving at the acting Grayling Manager, if he wanted to discuss the complaint in a closed session, without the public being present. since the complaint is against him. Baum opted to let the council discuss the incident in open session. Only the employee who has been named in a complaint can request that a matter be discussed in closed session under Michigan's Open Meetings Act.

The city council appointed Baum to serve as the acting city manager on March 8. The council put Grayling City Manager David Thayer on leave on Feb. 22, with full pay, while he faces 24 counts of allegedly violating the Social Security Privacy Act.

The alleged hostile workplace environment complaint was prompted by questions directed toward Baum at the city council's meeting on March 29 from Grayling City Council Member Kim McClain. Thayer had intended to apply for a Department of Natural Resources and environment (DNR & E) grant aimed for small projects to help develop a skate park for youth by city hall. The grant was supposed to be submitted to the state on April 1. Baum was unaware of

See **ALLEGED CITY** 1 Pg. 7

Road millage money to be used for first time

by Caleb Casey Senior Staff Writer

Two reconstruction projects on primary roads in Crawford County - one involving County Road 612 and one on Four Mile Road – are now under way.

County The Crawford Road Commission's Four Mile Road project resurfacing the roadway from the railroad tracks near Weyerhaeuser to Staley Lake Road (approximately three miles) – began last week with intersection work. The project continues this week with crushing of the existing pavement and work involving curb, gutter, drainage, and culverts, Road Commission Managing Director Don

The paving contractor for the job is Rieth Riley, the low bidder. The bid was awarded on April 15,

The Four Mile Road project "will save a lot of money on patching," Babcock said.

The project will cost approximately \$420,000 and will be paid for using the road commission's millage money, Babcock said. It will be the first project completed using money from the millage a proposal that voters approved in 2008. Millage money is designated for use on primary roads in Crawford County. The road commission started receiving the money early in 2010, Babcock said. The five-year millage is expected to generate more than \$500,000 per year.

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With removal of the old benches from the Crawford County Courtrooms, Court Administrator Thomas Haskel, Crawford County Maintenance Director Brad Robinson and Judge Burmeister set about constructing the "Read to Kids Zone" bookcase using wood recycled from the old benches removed from the Courtrooms. Above, Judge Burmeister and Robinson resurface boards from the benches to make bookcase for the "Read to Kids Zone."

'Read to Kids Zone' comes to fruition at courthouse

Like many good community projects, the seeds for the "Read to Kids Zone" were sown by recognition of a need.

On occasion, unfortunately, children find themselves at the Crawford County Courthouse. Hearings on matters such as child abuse and neglect cases. minor guardianships and criminal sexual conduct cases, to name a few, sometimes necessitate their presence. Other times, children are in the Courthouse simply because their parents have no other place to take them when the parents need to attend Court or other county related

In the past, on those occasions where a child was present in the Courtroom but their presence

wasn't required, the practice of the Court was to have the child removed from the Courtroom to the lobby area under the supervision of an adult, so as not to needlessly expose them to the Courtroom proceedings. If their presence was needed, the child was removed until they were needed in the Courtroom and See **READ TO** † Pg. 18

Hatches off to an early start after warm spring

by Caleb Casey

Senior Staff Writer

Hatches have begun, and if this spring's trend of warm weather continues, anglers may be treated to a great opening weekend for trout fishing.

"It probably should be one of the best openers we've had," said Jack Millikin of Skip's Sport Shop,

"We've had a warm spring. The water is not overly muddy, not overly high."

"Unless something changes from Thursday on out" it should be a good opening weekend for trout fishing. he said, "Early season hatches are here now."

Trout season begins on the last Saturday in April - April 24 this

"We've had a few Hendricksons come off, so the hatches have already started," said Missy Millikin of Skip's Sport Shop, "Water levels are about normal. I'm sure the water temperatures are up. I think it's going to be a good opener as long as

we don't get a big cold front." April 24 will also mark the begin-

ning of fishing seasons for walleye, pike, and muskellunge.

Anglers age 17 or older must have a valid fishing license. Current fishing license prices are as follows: Restricted (all species except salmon and trout), \$15; All Species, \$28.

For information on trout opener events being held in Gravling and Lovells Township, see Page 9.



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stimulate your creativity

and teach you some tips and

tricks of nature journaling,"

said Dan Bonamie, chair-

man of the AuSable

Recreation Expo Planning

Team said. "Each partici-

pant will take home his or

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own nature journaling expe-

to 12 participants, so pre-

registration is recommend-

ed. A kit fee of \$10 is due at

Expo presentations will be

held in The Birch Room,

The Expo will kickoff

with a presentation called -

ATVing for the Young, the

Old, the Disabled, For the

Family - from 9:10 a.m. to

Next, an introduction to

Paul Lyden, U.S. Forest

Service Ranger from Mio,

will give a Firewise presen-

tation, a program aimed to

protect homes and property

from wildfires, from 10:45

A Dutch oven cooking

demonstration will be held

under a tent outside of The

Birch Room from 11:30

A program called -

Property: Simple Steps

Landowners Can Take to

Improve Water Quality and

Wildlife Habitat - will be

held from 12:15 p.m. to

presentation

Riverfront

a.m. to 11:25 a.m.

a.m. to 12:10 p.m.

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from 10 a.m. to 10:40 a.m.

9:50 a.m. on Saturday.

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rience."

by Dan Sanderson Staff Writer

Geochaching, reelsmithing, nature journaling and upgrading nature photography skills - it must be time for the second annual AuSable Recreation Expo.

The AuSable Recreation Expo will be held from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday, April 24 and from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday, April 25, at the Ramada Inn-Grayling.

The AuSable Expo Art Show, sponsored by the Watershed Art Project, will be held throughout the day on Saturday.

Saturday's workshop is dubbed Nature Sketching & More, A Nature Journaling and Workshop in The Oak Room from 12:30 p.m. to 3

Participants are encour-

AuSable Fisheries Habitat their senses to record what they feel, see, hear and Management will run from touch at a particular point in 1 p.m. to 1:40 p.m.

A program called -Fishing the Historical AuSable: The Boats and the Flies - runs from 1:45 p.m. to 2:25 p.m.

Michael Hackney, a feature presenter for the AuSable Recreation Expo, present will Reelsmithing Primer: The Art of Hand-crafting Fly Fishing Reels - from 2:30 pm to 3:10 p.m.

Photographer Tom Haxby will present the program -Digital Photography 101: Tips to Improve your The workshop is limited Digital Photos - from 3:10 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Next, Rob Burg, historian and interpreter from the Hartwick Pines State Park, All AuSable Recreation will give a presentation called 75 Years of Hartwick Pines from 4 p.m. to 4:40 p.m. to highlight one of Crawford County's crowned

> Saturday's AuSable Expo activities will conclude with An Introduction to Disc Golf from 4:50 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. to highlight the opening of the Grayling Rotary Professional Disc Golf Association (PDGA) Disc Golf Course at the Hanson Hills Recreational Area.

The AuSable Recreation Expo on Sunday features three workshops.

First, Haxby will give a called presentation Beyond the Basics: Hands-On Digital Photography Workshop - from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m in The Oak Room.

Participants are encouraged to bring their digital cameras and camera manuals and join nature photographer Haxby for a handson workshop. This workshop is limited to 25 participants. Pre-registration is

recommended due to space limitations. A workshop fee of \$15 is due at the time of

registration. At the same time, Michael Hackney, Eclectic Angler, will give a present - A Reelsmithing

Primer's Workshop.

"Come join Michael Hackney, a reelsmith and author, as he helps you construct a fly fishing reel, guiding you through the steps of construction and assembly using simple tools," Bonamie "Participants will learn the basic techniques of design and construction so they can design and construct their own fly reels."

Material kits are available for purchase at a cost of \$75 per kit. The workshop is limited to eight participants. Pre-registration is recommended. For more information on the fly reel you will learn how to make, visit www.reelsmithing.com/foru

The third workshop on Sunday is a Track Casting Workshop, which will run from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. in The Oak Room.

"Track casting is a wonderful family activity for young and old alike," Bonamie said. "Come learn how to identify animal tracks you would find in northern Michigan and make a cast of a track of your favorite track to take with you. Each participant will take home a track guide and at least one plaster track cast."

There is a fee of \$1 per kit for materials. Each kit will make two plaster casts.

Sunday's AuSable Recreation Expo presentation runs from 10 a.m. to 4

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CASD Alumni Hall of Fame inductees selected

Eighteen Grayling and Frederic High School graduates will be inducted into the Crawford AuSable School District's Alumni Hall of Fame next month.

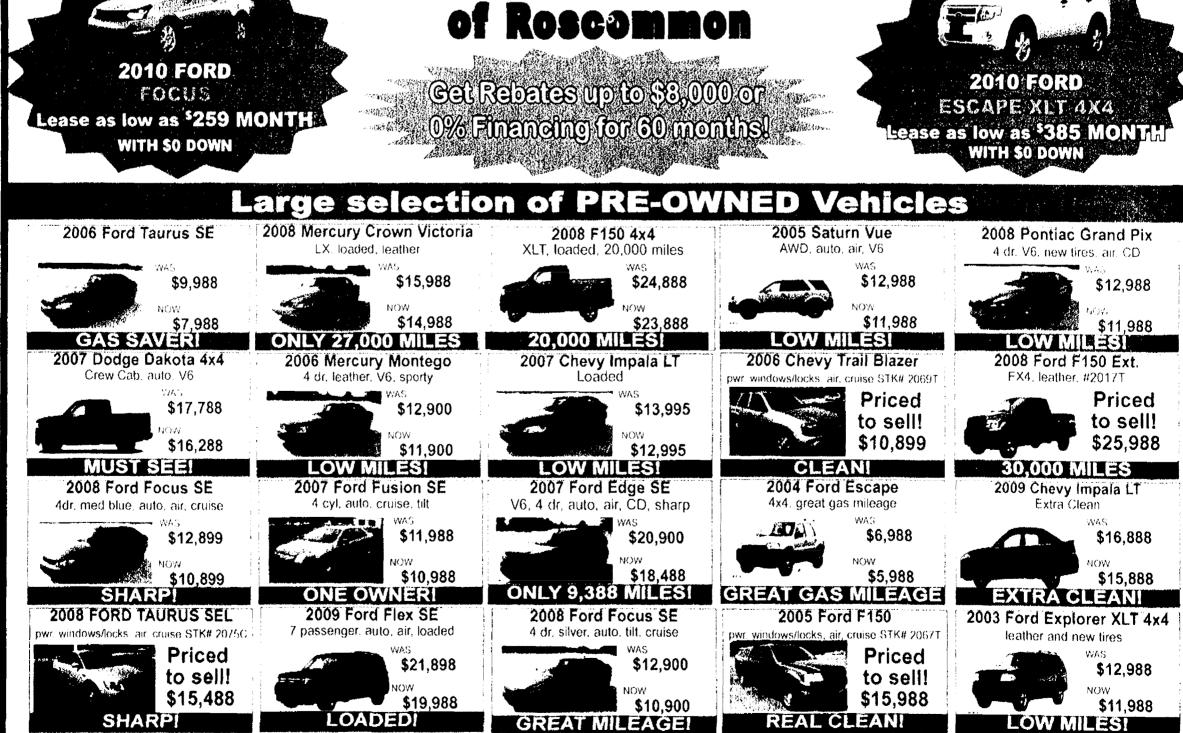
The bi-annual induction ceremony will be held at 2 p.m. on Sunday, May 2, in the Grayling High School's Joseph Stripe Auditorium.

The keynote speaker at the induction ceremony will be Michael Delp, a widelypublished poet who taught at Grayling High School in the 1970s and 1980s. Since then, Delp has been been an instructor and director in the creative writing department at Interlochen Arts Academy.

The public is invited to attend the ceremony, where the following graduates will be honored: Norma Buck Johnson Madill (1920), Melvin Nielson (1940), Jim (1953),Gary Russell (1962),Steve

DuBois (1967), William Gould (1968), Richard Gould (1972),Kucharek (1972), Jon Thompson (1975), Steve Olsen (1977), Geoffrey Stancil Bichler (1979), Mark Hamilton (1982), Stephanic Hindmarsh Dennehy (1986), Nicholas Stancil (1995), David Sabin (1997), Michael Latusek (2000), Michael Pappas (2000) and Brad Gorski (2001).





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by Dan Sanderson Staff Writer

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Shortly after the light was put in place, residents complimented city officials regarding the light for easing the flow of traffic through town and allowing children a safe passage to schools.

After construction on the I-75 Business Loop was completed, Michigan Department

Transportation (MDOT) officials changed the light to a four-way stop because they did not want to subject the state to liability for accidents. The city also had four stop signs placed at the intersection.

A recently traffic study, done for the city in order purchase the light from

MDOT, determined that there not the volume of traffic to warrant a light at the intersection. That, along with utility and maintenance costs for the light prompted Grayling City Council members to consider its removal.

Grayling 'City Police Chief Doug Baum, who is serving as the acting city manager, said engineers did recommended a potential turning lane at the intersection. Baum said the turn lane would reduce space for bike lanes and parking for a block on Michigan Avenue and Maple Street.

Grayling City Council Member Kim McClain pushed to stall the vote to remove the light. She added that there are many safety and traffic flow issues the city is trying to address with the light, such as manipulating the timing for left hand turns at Charles Street and State Street onto the I-75 Business Loop. Finally, McClain said the light would address school safety, traffic coming off on northbound I-75 and high traffic flows when schools get out and shifts a Mercy Hospital Grayling and Camp Grayling's Maneuver Area Training Equipment Site change.

"We need to talk to the schools and we need to look at the bigger picture,"

McClain said.

Chad Beckett, the direc-Grayling for of Public Department Safety, said keeping the stop signs at the intersection and erecting additional signage would alert motorists that they are traveling through high-density pedestrian travel areas.

"That light being there is foolish as far as I am concerned," Beckett said.

Beckett said it cost the city \$10,000 to have the traffic study done at the intersection. He added that the state is now asking the city to pay \$11,000 for the light, when the original cost was estimated to be \$8,500.

Beckett said MDOT officials contact him daily regarding the future of the light as they do the final restoration work cleanup for the I-75 Business Loop reconstruction project.

"They're looking to close out the job, and they don't want that hanging out there preventing them from doing that," Beckett said.

Grayling Mayor Pro Tem Larry Akers said he concurred with Beckett's opinion on keeping the light in

"I pretty much agree with what he is saying," Akers said. "I think he is right on the mark."

Baum said the light did

cut down on motorists illegally passing each other on the right hand side where there are no passing lanes.

Former Grayling City Council Member Roger Moshier, who is a mechanic and bus driver for Crawford AuSable Schools, said he would like the intersection kept as a four-way stop to help the flow of buss traffic.

"I would like to see it left the way it is," he said.

Moshier, however, conceded that the flashing red lights drew more attention from motorists and noted that the traffic study was not done when Grayling is seeing a high volume of tourists and hosting the AuSable River Festival.

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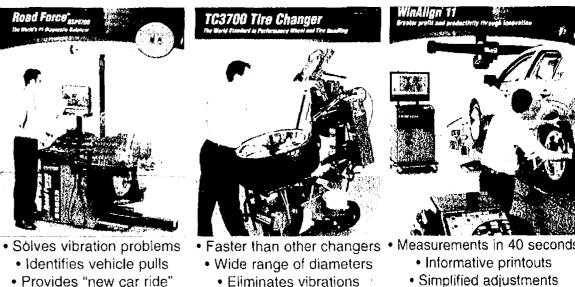
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Road millage money to be used for first time

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Pavement crushing will also begin this week for a reconstruction project on County Road 612. The project involves a series of curves near the KP Lake area. The bid process for the paving work was conducted through the state and Rieth Riley was the successful bidder. The project - at an

approximate cost of \$72,000 - will be paid for using leftover economic stimulus money, Babcock said.

"We're hoping both projects will be paved before Memorial Day weekend, but that will be dependent on the contractor's schedule and how fast we get Four Mile Road ready," Babcock said.

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Almanack

by Richard Milliman

Undecided voters hold key for both parties

IT'S A GOOD thing that Michigan's primary election is still about 100 days in the future because plenty of voters on both sides obviously need more time to make up their minds.

Every poll of prospective voters shows that those who are still undecided have in their hands the final decisions on candidates for governor in both Democratic and Republican primaries.

One recent telephone poll of likely primary voters (by Rasmussen Reports in late March) tested Democratic candidates Virgil Bernero, Andy Dillon and Alma Wheeler Smith, and Republican candidates Michael Bouchard, Mike Cox, Peter Hockstra and Rick Snyder.

Among Democrats, 53 percent of those polled had no preference among the three candidates. House Speaker Dilion drew 12 percent, State Rep. Smith 10 percent and Lansing Mayor Bernero 8 percent, and 17 percent said they preferred a different candidate altogether.

Among Republicans, 32 percent were undecided and 5 percent preferred another candidate. US Rep. Hockstra led the field with 27 percent, Mr. Snyder had 18 percent, Atty. Gen. Cox 13 percent and

Sheriff Bouchard 5 percent. The fifth candidate, State Sen. Tom George of Kalamazoo, was not included in the polling.

The Rasmussen poll questioned 662 likely Republican primary voters, and 541 likely Democratic voters. That seems like a very small field from which to draw reliable conclusions, but to many professional pollsters that's enough.

The only conclusion to draw from these and other recent poll results is that at this point both nominations are open to be won or lost, and what candidates do and say during the next 100 days will be decisive.

THOSE FIGURES might be a bit different among Michigan Democrats after a candidate forum of their three governor candidates in tandem with the party's endorsement convention and annual Jefferson Jackson dinner.

More than 2,000 Democratic activists gathered Saturday for the convention, but only 80 to 100 stuck around for a Sunday brunch to hear Candidates Smith, Dillon and Bernero.

According to newspaper reports, Mr. Bernero launched into his

usual no-holds-barred, fire breathing style, blasting the Michigan legislature for inadequate action to help Michigan's economic situation, aiming especially at Speaker Dillon for his leadership role.

Mr. Bernero also said he favors a part-time legislature, and that he likes unions and the auto industry, and doesn't like Wall Street greed.

Mr. Bernero has been endorsed by the Michigan AFL-CIO and the UAW, both organizations that have been cool to Mr. Dillon, although Mr. Dillon said he has "voted with labor about 90 percent of the time," and that "I am not the devil."

Rep. Smith was the only candidate to outright endorse a tax program, including a graduated income tax (which is standard Democratic rhetoric) and extending sales tax to services (which has been proposed by Gov. Granholm). She said she would rein in tax breaks for businesses, and wants free tuition for all Michigan students at universities and community colleges.

There is no doubt these three Democratic hopefuls are different, and will attract different sorts of primary voters. If elected, they likely would produce different approaches to Michigan problems.

As these differences become more apparent, both in style and substance, the undecided voter category will shrink, but at this point, it looks like a toss-up.

A SIMILAR STORY will develop among Republican voters, too, as campaigns intensify and candidate forums are held. All five candidates, including Sen. George, are lined up soon for a joint appearance to be televised from Michigan State University.

One of the best ways to judge a candidate is a side-by-side comparison. Campaign literature, telephone calling, rallies of the faithful (often with admission only by ticket) usually are effective only with those voters already committed to one candidate.

Switching the undecided voter into the committed supporter holds the key to success for Republicans, too.

ENDORSEMENTS – The Democratic endorsement convention smiled on Jocelyn Benson as the party's November candidate for secretary of state and on David Leyton for attorney general.

Ms. Benson, a law professor at

Wayne State University who has been campaigning for nomination for some time, racked up 95 percent convention support in a noncontest with Detroit City Clerk Janice Winfrey for the secretary of state job.

Mr. Leyton, Genesee county prosecutor, narrowly defeated Richard Bernstein of Birmingham in a very tight race. Labor support was divided between the two, with the state AFL-CIO in the winner's corner.

Mr. Leyton said if elected he will immediately end Michigan's participation in a multi-state suit to derail the recently adopted federal health reform law, which has been vigorously pursued by Republican incumbent AG Mike Cox, one of the GOP candidates for governor.

Both the endorsed candidates must be formally nominated by the Democratic state convention in late August.

Republicans will choose their state candidates below governor at a similar post-primary state convention.

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Letters Editor

Who doesn't want who to speak freely?

To the editor:

I find it of great importance that Mr. John Haynes' letter regarding the Tea Party Movement is addressed publicly. Someone hasn't done their homework. The origins of the movement began and were inspired by Ron Paul's campaign for the White House in 2007.

So, where were these people when George W. Bush was in office you ask? They were watching the news, getting angrier and angrier. You can therefore thank George W. Bush's presidency, and his run to big government for answers, for the birth of the movement. These people were just as angry and frus-

trated then as they are now, they just weren't organized yet. The members of this movement are just over a third of republicans.

So, who then makes up the rest? You guessed it, independents and democrats. The members of this movement are not afraid to speak against their own party if they disapprove of their decisions or feel like their voices are not being

heard.
You can't blame the movement for the republicans that have jumped on the bandwagon, because they've realized these people in vast majority have done their homework, and realize that more government is not the answer, and

will not fix our country.

Until people like you, Mr. Haynes, stop playing the partyline game, cast aside your prejudices and realize that this country was intended to be run "of the people, by the people, and for the people" the entitlement society that we are becoming will continue to grow.

As far as the people of this movement going back to where they came from, they come from your neighborhood, your city, your county, your state, and your country.

So, Mr. Haynes, I ask you this, who is it that doesn't want who to speak freely?

Lisa Schade Grayling

Tea Party participants are exercising their right to free speech

To the editor:

In response to the April 15 letter: "Tea Party groups..."

The Tea Party groups do not include only the Republican Party. Fifty percent of these groups are Independents and also, Democrats who are suffer-

ing from "buyer's remorse."
The leaders in

The leaders in Washington have told us to be quiet because they think they know what is good for us. They are not listening to those who elected them to serve, not dictate. The Tea Party participants are exercising their right to free

speech, with the hope that they will be heard, not ignored. They are exactly where they belong, in a country that gives us that right to freedom of speech and freedom of choice.

> Mickie Meyers Grayling

AVALANCHE DEADLINES

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Hang on to your wallet on this one

To the editor:

Taxpayers hang on to your wallet on this one. My suspicions were confirmed when in a recent article on the proposed Artisan Village, Dr. Tom Rosi, captain of the community enhancement committee "floated the idea of putting a millage on the ballot" to support the project.

The chairman of the Crawford County Commissioners said he didn't think it plausible because voters will be asked to renew a millage for the Sheriff's office. Guard your wallet on this one also. But you can bet, if not this

year, a millage request will, sooner or later, be on a ballot.

It never ceases to amaze me the hypocrisy of those who rail against small business taxes, big government, etc., yet are quite willing to accept taxpayer money in the form of millages, taxpayer funded grants, tax abatements, etc., when it serves their own self interests.

Rosi should be reminded that a couple of years ago, proposed millages to fund three essentially private enterprises failed.

C. David Church Roscommon



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Briefs

Angelfood distribution announced

Angelfood distribution will be Saturday, April 24, from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m., at the Grayling Free Methodist Church.

River House to host High Tea

River House, Inc., will hold a High Tea and Silent Auction on Thursday, May 6, from 4:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church. For additional reservation information, call River House at 348-3169.

Christian Help Center is open

The Christian Help Center is open year around from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday, The Christian Help Center Pantry continues to help Crawford County residents in need. The Supplemental Summer Lunch Program will be offered again to families with school age children receiving reduced price lunches during the school year. Call 348-6046 for more information.

Skateboard park to hold meeting

A meeting for the new skateboard park will be held on Saturday, April 24, at 12 p.m., at the new skateboard park facility, located behind the Grayling Fire Department/City Hall on W. North Down River Rd. Students and parents wishing to help in the building of this facility are urged to attend. A can drive will be held after the meeting, to raise money for equipment. For more information, or for can pick-up before Saturday, call Mike Shearer at 348-2083.

Community calendar available online

The Crawford County Avalanche has a community calendar on their new Web site. To view area happenings, or to be considered for publication of your event, go to crawfordcountyavalanche.com, click on community and go to the community calendar.

Senior Citizen News

Join us for a meal either at noon or 5 p.m. weekdays, except Friday, when there is no evening meal. Soup or salad bar served prior to the meal Monday through Thursday.

This week's menu (lunch/dinner) and activities:

Friday, April 23- breaded baked cod, redskin potatoes, broccoli and fresh fruit salad. No Dinner. 10 a.m. card golf, 1 p.m. Pantry Bingo, 3 p.m. Volunteer Recognition.

Monday, April 26 -Lunch - Chicken stir-fry, brown rice, peas and plums. Dinner - stuffed florentine shells, glazed sweet potatoes, asparagus and applesauce. 10 a.m. quilting, 1 p.m. Bridge and clogging, 2:30 pm. Bunco.

Tuesday, April 27 -Lunch - Swedish meatballs with noodles, carrots, green beans and cinnamon applesauce. Dinner - baked chicken, mashed potatoes

with gravy, Brussels sprouts and pears. 10 a.m. Bible Study, 1 p.m. Euchre and CCC meeting, 4 p.m. - 5 p.m. blood pressure/sugar checks.

Wednesday, April 28 -Lunch - smoked sausage, sauerkraut, corn and peaches. Dinner - stuffed cabbage, boiled potatoes, carrots, apricots and red velvet cake. 10 a.m. line dancing, 1 p.m. pool league, COA Board meeting and Wii Bowling, 5:30 Medicine Shoppe Bingo.

Thursday, April 29 Lunch - pork roast with stuffing, broccoli, cauliflower, honey-nut apples and brownies. Dinner beef stroganoff, mixed vegetables, cauliflower and pineapple, 10 a.m. craft

class, 1 p.m. UNO Attack. The Crawford County Commission on Aging's Senior Center is located at 308 Lawndale, behind Burger King in Grayling. Walk-ins are welcome.

Library News

Trout Opener Gala will be held at the Devereaux Memorial Library on Friday, April 23, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. There will be friends, fly-tying and food. Billy Lowes the boat building expert, who restored the riverboat from the Devereaux Estate will be present. Keynote speaker author Sgt. John A. Walker, will introduce his own brand of backwoods humor: tales told as only a Yooper can. See demonstrations by local skilled fly tyers and members of the Mason-Griffith Founders Chapter of Trout Unlimited with music by guitarist

Derek Boik. The event is free and open to the public. Call 348-9214 for more information.

Family Fun in Frederic will be held at the Frederic Community Library on Saturday, April 24, at 11 a.m. Sign up for stories, crafts and snacks by calling 989-348-4067.

The C.C.L.L. Book Club will meet at the Devereaux Memorial Library on Tuesday, April 27, at 5 p.m. This month's discussion is on classic "To Kill a Mockingbird" by Harper Lee. For more information, contact Jane at 989-348-9214.

Raffle Winners

Grayling Youth Booster Club

The 50/50 raffle winners for April 18 of \$25 each; Paula Blue, Sydnee Klee and Ed Veselsky.

City ORV public hearing slated

by Dan Sanderson Staff Writer

The Grayling City Council will take input at a meeting next week to determine if ORVs will be allowed to motor through town.

A public hearing will be held at 7 p.m. on Monday, April 26 at the Grayling City Hall, to receive input from city residents and ORV enthusiasts on a proposed ORV ordinance.

Under the draft ordinance, an ORV is prohibited from traveling at a rate of speed greater than is reasonable and proper, which has been determined to 10 mph by city officials.

Between 10 p.m. and 7 a.m., ORVs cannot travel at a speed greater than the minimum required to maintain forward movement of the ORV.

No ORV may be operated on Michigan Avenue except to cross Michigan Avenue.

No ORV may be operated on Lawndale Street to avoid disturbing activities at the Grayling Senior Center and seniors living in apartments rented by the Grayling Housing Commission.

No ORV may be operated on or cross James Street, except when crossing James Street at Ottawa Street, Ogemaw Street, Ionia Street or Charles Street when traffic is clear and only after stopping.

A committee of city officials has been working on the ORV ordinance for several months, hoping it will give hotels and motels, gas stations, restaurants and businesses that sell ORV parts and equipment a shot in the

"If you do this, it will be pretty unique because not too many cities allow this," said Grayling City Police Chief Doug Baum, who is serving as the acting Grayling City Manager.

No ORV may be operated on railroad property within the city.

No ORV may be operated in the city except for the purpose of gaining access to or from an area of operation outside the city by the most direct route.

ORVs shall travel at the extreme right of the street with the flow of traffic.

Finally, ORVs must come to a complete stop at every street intersection.

Grayling to host Africa blues shows

by Dan Sanderson Staff Writer

Iy two years with the Peace Corps, is bringing some West African culture to Grayling.

Crystal Pilon is bringing Djam Vivie and friend Tani Diakite to Grayling for an West African blue's concert.

Pilon served as a Peace Corps natural resources and environmental volunteer in Niger, a small rural village in West Africa.

Vivie is a master woodcarver and drum builder from Ghana, West Africa.

Diembe is the name of drums used in Ghana. Drums are used in Vivie's village in Ghana for communication. Certain rhythms are played on the drums to relay a message within the village or to other villages.

Vivie will be holding a drum building workshop from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, May 1, at Dharma Music.

Later that day, Vivie and Diakite will be performing at the Grey Rock Cafe.

Diakite is a Malian singer and professional kamelon ngoni virtuoso. The kamele ngoni is a stringed, long-necked gourd instrument that has been outfitted with an electronic pick-up made from old radio parts. The instrument's name means "young



person's harp."

Diakite is a member of A Grayling High School the highly prestigious graduate, who served near- Bureau of Malian Artist, an honor give by the Malian Ministry of Culture.

> Diakite also performs as a solo artist. Born and raised in the bluesy Wassoulou region of southern Mali, Diakite currently resides in Madison, Wis.

A free, family friendly show will be held from noon to 2 p.m. on Sunday at Thanks a Latte.

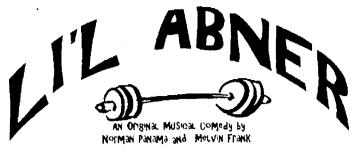
People can contact Pilon at 348-8187 or at pilon.crystal@gmail.com for more information or to sign up for the drum building class.

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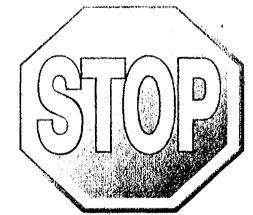
Devereaux Memorial Library Date: Friday, April 23, 2010

Time: 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. Location: 201 Plum Street, Grayling (Next to Primary & Elementary Schools) Contact Person Jane Gyulveszi 989-348-9214 ext. 205 Sponsored by:

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The Distress of Religion by Works

We studied in Romans 11:7 that Israel's religion by self seeking or works will not be successful, submissive, or satisfying. 7What then? Israel hath not obtained that which he seeketh for; but the election hath obtained it, and the rest were blinded." Last week we studied the distress of religion by self seeking or works Romans "8(According as it is written, God hath given them the spirit of slumber, eyes that they should not see, and ears that they should not hear;) unto this day." Now in Romans 11:9,10 we shall study the distress of Religion by selfseeking or works: "9And David saith, Let their table be made a snare, and a trap, and a stumblingblock, and a recompense unto them: 10Let their eyes be darkened, that they may not see, and bow down their back alway."

This quote of their King David in the Old Testament forewarned them that "their table" or blessings from God would become their deception. "Let their table become a snare before them; and that which should have been for

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their welfare, let it become a trap. 3Let their eyes be darkened, that they see not; and make their loins continually to shake." (Psalm 69:22,23).

Moses first warned them before they even received their blessings from the promised land Deuteronomy 6:10-12: "10And it shall be, when the LORD thy God shall have brought thee into the land which he sware unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give thee great and goodly cities, which thou buildedst not, 11And houses full of all good things, which thou filledst not, and wells digged, which thou diggedst not, vineyards and olive trees, which thou plantedst not; when thou shalt have eaten and be full; 12Then beware lest thou forget the LORD, which brought thee forth out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage." Second, their own blind-

ness would become their own deception. "10aLet their eyes be darkened, that they may not see..." Jesus reminded them in Matthew 13:14,15 they had been forewarned: "14And in them is fulfilled the prophecy of Esaias, which saith, By hearing ye shall hear, and shall not understand; and seeing ye shall see, and shall not perceive: 15For

this people's heart is waxed gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes they have closed; lest at any time they should see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and should understand with their heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them."

Third, their own burdens would become their deception, "....and bow down their back alway." The Jews spent 400 years as slaves in Egypt, but again sinned against God and spent 70 years as slaves in Babylon. They rejected their Messiah and spent 2,000 years in dispersion among the nations. All these burdens were prophesied by their own prophets. In 1893, Anti-Semitic parties won sixteen seats in the German Reichstag. In 1925 Hitler wrote, Mein Kampf. In 1933 Hitler took power in Germany. In 1935 under the Nuremberg Laws Jews lost their German citizenship. In 1939 the systematic extermination of six million Jews began. Jews are still being deceived by their own blessings, blindness, and burdens. Pastor "B"

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Obituaries

Virginia Belcher

Virginia "Ginny" Laree Belcher, 75, of Grayling, passed away on Sunday, April 18, 2010.

She was born in Barette Twp., Gladwin County, on June 2, 1934, the daughter of the late Leroy H and Lucile J. (Kinkle) Durfee.

She worked as a waitress at several Grayling area restaurants.

She married Donald Jack Belcher on Aug. 26, 1953, in Kalkaska. He preceded her in death in 1979.

She is survived by: daughter: Renee (Chris) Wood of Grayling; sons: Donald J. (Cindy) Belcher Jr. of Kansas, John D. (Kimberly) Belcher of Mio, Peter (Gail) Belcher of Grayling, Steve (Sara) Belcher of Grayling; 16 grandchildren; eight great grandchildren; brothers: David, Bud, Chuck and Richard Durfee: sisters: Ethel Minnick, Lois Durfee, Cindy Norton, Susan McCawden, and Noreen Moss.

Visitation will be held at on Thursday April 22, 2010 between 1p.m. - 3 p.m. at Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

The funeral service will be held at Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home, at 3 p.m. on Thursday, April 22, 2010.

Condolences may be sent to www.soresonlockwood.com.

Arrangements entrusted Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

Card of Thanks

The family of John Pillaro Jr., would like to say thank you for all the comforting words and support following John's pass-

> Tianna, Tegan, Melonie and Tina

Norma J. Kleiner

Norma Jean Kleiner, 68, of South Branch Township, passed away on April 3, 2010, at West Branch Regional Medical Center.

Private family services have been planned.

Arrangements made by Walsh Funeral Home, Roscommon.

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Births

Tara Iverson and Aaron Frederic, Blaine, of announce the birth of a daughter, Eryka Renee', born at Mercy Hospital on April 3, 2010, at 1:49 p.m., weighing 10 lbs., 1 oz., and measuring 22 inches in length.

Melissa and Barry Davison, of Grayling, announce the birth of a son, Cayden Charles, born at Mercy Hospital on April 1, 2010, at 1:45 p.m., weighing 7 lbs., 15 ozs., and measuring 19 inches in length.

Angelica Ramsey and Derrick Manley, Grayling, announce the birth of a son, Christopher James, born at Mercy Hospital on March 26 2010, at 8:48 a.m., weighing 6 lbs., 9 ozs., and measuring 19 inches in length.

Bailee M. Henderson of Grayling, announces the birth of a daughter, Adalee Marie, born at Mercy Hospital on March 28 2010, at 8:53 a.m., weighing 7 lbs., 7 ozs., and measuring 19 inches in length.

Births



Olivia Ginther

Matt and Shannon Grayling, Ginther of announce the birth of their daughter, Olivia Ann Ginther.

Olivia arrived at 9:05 p.m. on Tuesday, March 2, 2010, at U of M-Mott Children's Hospital in Ann Arbor, weighing 9 lbs. and measuring 21 3/4 inches in length.

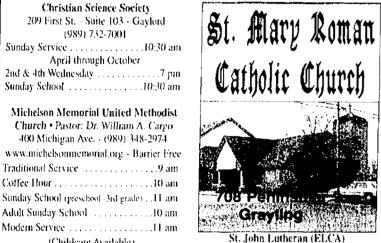
Proud grandparents are Bob and Pam Terry of Grayling and Mark and Julie Ginther also of Grayling. Her great-grandparents are Pete and Delores Mead of Grayling and Jim and Rita McClain also of Grayling.

Jennifer Harris and Adam Knackstadt, of Sault Ste. Marie, are the parents of a daughter, Kayden Rylee Knackstadt, born March 14, 2010, at War Memorial Hospital. She weighed 7 lbs., 9.9 ozs., and measuring 20 1/4 inches in length.

She joins sister Gracee at home.

The grandparents are Cheryl (Ed) Crane of Sault Ste. Marie, Ed (Rose) Harris of Boyne Falls, Sherry Knackstadt of Sault Ste. Marie and Gary Knackstadt of Edgewood, Texas. The great-grandparents are Kathleen Harris of Newton Grayling, Cryderman of Sault Ste. Marie and John and Wynelle Knackstadt of Edgewood, Texas.

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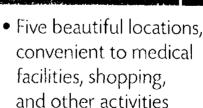
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Alleged city hostile workplace complaint investigation underway

Continued from Page 1 the grant.

Ben Chouinard, sexton for the Elmwood Cemetery, was asked to coordinate some projects the city is involved with and meet necessary timelines, after Thayer was placed on leave.

Baum said Chouinard gave him a stack of materials after he was appointed as the acting city manager.

Baum said there was a DNR & E grant application to help fund walkways and pathways, but saw nothing in the information or Thayer's notes regarding a skate park.

At a city staff meeting on March 30, Baum questioned city staff and Chouinard

about the skate park grant. Baum acknowledged he cursed when he asked Chouinard to point out any information about a skate park in the grant applica-

"To this day, I truly believe I was set up," Baum

Baum said he has also taken flack since Crawford County Undersheriff Shawn Krayes arrested Thayer on March 25, for a charge of public officers-making false statements relating to finances. Baum was the complaining witness for the charge.

"That's the kind of behind the scenes manipulation that is going on," Baum said.

"It's crazy.

Chouinard acknowledged that he filed the complaint, but opted not to comment on the issue until he talked with Grayling City Attorney Mike Edwards.

Schreiner said he believes bringing in a third party was the best way to handle the complaint.

"We don't have to be part of the blame game or be on either side of the issue," Schreiner said.

Edwards said the city council is simply following the law when an alleged hostile workplace environment complaint is made.

"Whenever an allegation of a hostile work environment or some other type of

discrimination has been made, the proper step is to make sure there is an investigation by a neutral party and that is what is being done," Edwards said.

A report on the investigation will be submitted to city council, which will include any corrective actions that need to be made, Edwards said.

Baum said he hoped the city staff can pull together, as they have pledged, to help move the community forward.

"The more this stuff continues - the more tension and commotion will happen," he said.

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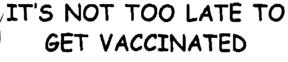
Sheriff's Report

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 77 complaints the week of April 12 - April 18.

One EMS response, 13 general non-criminal complaints, three false alarm activations, one criminal sexual conduct third degreepenetration, two assaultintimidation-stalkings, one assault and battery/simple assault,

burglaries/home invasions. one burglary-forced entryresidence, four larcenies, one larceny-theft of U.S. Government property, one larceny-other, one vehiclestolen, one fraudulent activity, three damage to properties, one weapons offenseconcealed, six public peace disorderlies, one operating while intoxicated, seven health and safeties, two dents, four family troublesmiscellaneous criminal offenses, eight traffic acci-

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Range 15, located south of the main post, bounded on the west by Cadillac Rd. and on the east by Carrier Rd., May 1-5.

Range 17, hand grenade range located south of the main post, north of Carrier Rd., east of range 13 and west of Beaver Creek (Military Rd.), May 1.

ARF Range, located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Rd., east of the gas pipeline and north of Portage Creek, April 30-May 1.

The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.), April 29 - May.

The Range 40 Complex, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Sherman Rd., south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of county Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.), May 1-5.

The Range 30 Complex, located north of North Down River Rd., east of Jones Lake Rd., south of County Rd. 612, and west of Bald Hill Truck Trail, May

In addition, the following roads will be closed on: **Bucks East-West Truck Trail** from Jones Lake Road to Bald Hill Truck Trail; Ketchum Truck Trail from Bucks East-West to N. Down River Rd.; Stephan Bridge Rd. from County Rd. 612 to N. Down River Rd.; Wakeley Bridge Rd. from County Rd. 612 to N. Down River Rd.

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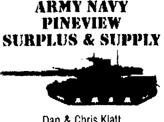
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Eighth annual trout opener focuses on riverboats, guides

The subject of the Lovells Township Historical Society's eighth annual Trout Opener is the AuSable Riverboat and the AuSable River guides - Then and Now.

The exhibit will open in the Lovells Museum of Trout Fishing on the traditional trout opener on Saturday, April 24. Pictures and stories on the history of famous AuSable Riverboats and the colorful men who guided the fishermen will be on display. The old families - Stephan, Wakeley, Babbitt, Madsen, Burtch, Borcher, Folwer, Vallad, Redhead and other are represented along with numerous contemporary guides who carry on this centuries-old tradition of

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will celebrate the lure and

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Visitors will read the firstknown description of an AuSable Riverboat in 1874 by famous fisherman and bamboo rod maker Thadeus Norris. A DVD of step-bystep pictures of Jay Stephan building a riverboat will be shown. Old and new riverboats will be on display on the township grounds.

As in years past, lunch will be served in the River Guide Tent from 11 a.m. to 1

Guests will be able to try their hand at casting vintage bamboo fly rods. An expanded exhibit on Ed Kellogg, early fishing camps and log lodges will be on display in the Lone Pine School House Museum.

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The subject of the Lovells Township Historical Society's eighth annual Trout Opener in the AuSable Riverboat and the AuSable River guides -Then and Now. Above, a photograph of George Mason fishing on his beloved South Branch of the AuSable River.

ship hall will feature professional Julie Nielsen demonstrating her amazing skill tying traditional AuSable fly patters. Rich Perry will demonstrate the steps necessary to create beautiful, classic bamboo rods. The demonstration and fly-casting will take place from 10

a.m. to noon and from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Lacey Stephan, a fourth generation river man, will speak from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. on the history of river guides and boats as well as the fishermen who plied our wonderful watershed in pursuit of trout and relaxation.

Leaky Waders Fun Run will be held in Lovells

The Lovells Historical Society will hold its second annual Leaky Waders 1K Fun Run on Saturday, April 24, on the traditional opening day of trout season.

This one kilometer race, open to the public, is held in Lovells with the starting line between Caid's Store and the Riverside Tavern. The finish line is at the Lovells Township grounds.

All participants wear chest waders. Prizes will be awarded for the first three finishers in men, women and children (under age 14 years of age) flights. The names of the first place winners (man and woman) will be added to the permanent trophy maintained in the Fly Fishing Museum.

Registration fee is \$20 and

includes the run, a tee shirt and lunch.

Registration will start at the township grounds at 10:00 a.m. Runners will receive their number, a tee shirt and be bussed to the starting line. The starting gun will be fired at 11:00

Preregistration is encouraged by calling Glen Eberly at 989-348-3084 or Pam Rohr at 248-835-9830. Registration the day of the event will be accepted.

Following the run participants are welcome to visit the exhibits, demonstrations and special speaker that are all part of the eighth annual Lovells Township Historical Society Trout Opener, held on the Lovells Township grounds.



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Next, the Old AuSable: Grayling's Historic River Highway will go from 11 a.m. to 11:40 a.m.

Lunch with the Legends of the AuSable Canoe Marathon, will be held from 12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m. in the Crawford Station Restaurant.

"Come share historic memories and stories about people and the annual canoe adventure that helped to define the Grayling area." Bonamie said.

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presentation Michigan Elk Management will run from 2 p.m. to 2:40 p.m.

Sunday's AuSable Expo will wrap up with a Development of Permanent Wildlife Food Plots presen-

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paths." "Mountain bike trails, how- ing, ice fishing, water skiing, ever, are different from bike horseback riding, off-roading dress appropriately. It's a afternoon. The Sulfur hatch crappie, perch and bluegill. paths. While bike paths are in your vehicle, nature study, good idea to bring an extra begins in late May and lasts. This summer's Free Fishing paved or hard surfaced and skating, snowmobiling, cross- sweatshirt, rain gear, or a about two weeks. The first Weekend in Michigan - a tend to be quite smooth, country skiing, sailboarding change of clothing in a secure, week of June is a popular time, period in which all fishing mountain bike trails tend to or just lounging around and plastic bag. Visitors should on area streams as the Brown. license fees will be waived for consist of a more rugged ter- relaxing with family and also remember sunscreen and Drake hatch occurs. rain, characterized by a natu- friends are all available. No lightweight, long-sleeved ral soil surface, narrower trail matter where you go, there's a shirts to provide sun protec- May and June, generally culwidth, changing slopes and state park or forest that offers tion on hot summer days. gradients. These distinctions what you want to do." should be noted before you Canoeing prepare to take a trip to one of the state parks or state forest. Manistee rivers in the

sive trail system for those who forests. High School to Hartwick

Crawford County - like clists an opportunity to ride on wild turkeys, a great blue begins on Saturday, April 24. of the finest fishing rivers many other areas in Michigan a smooth, payed surface. Hartwick Pines, like many

and trails for bicyclists of all other parks in the state of trip. ages and skill levels. Michigan, has several trails

people who want to spend ers" (trees that hang out low ware and bait. only to Alaska. Michigan also and family members outdoors. much trouble. The water averbegins in early March with the bow to catch its brown and miles of rivers and streams, campgrounds, in addition to most places. which puts bicyclists, no mat- public campgrounds - state ter where they are in the state, forest campgrounds and state starts in May and runs until hatching by the opening day noted for its wintertime perch within 20 minutes of water. parks - offer many different late September or early of trout season. Afternoon and smelt fishing.

Bikes are allowed on all paved hunting and picnicking are ery has its own rates, require- time for many fly fishers, are local favorites. KP Lake and non-paved roads in all 97 just the beginning of all the ments and restrictions. Other early season hatches, lays claim to trophy bluegill state parks and recreation adventures available to park. Summer weekends can be include the Little Mahogany, and good numbers of bass. areas. Bikes may also be operand forest visitors," according very busy at area canoe liveralittle Black Caddis and Blue Jones Lake is home for wallated on designated bike to DNRE. "Boating, biking, ies, so advance reservations Winged Olives. sightseeing, wildlife watch- are recommended.

prefer natural terrain. The A day on the river is a great rience can be shared by all." the grass banks waiting for and 36,350 miles of rivers and Grayling Bicycle Turnpike, a way for families to enjoy Fishing pathway that runs from northern Michigan's outdoors. Anglers are gearing up for er nature starts to dip her miles of trout waters, for

Bicycling, a healthy way to for bicycling. Hartwick Pines river day trips ranging in sons. cling country than Michigan's est campgrounds is available overnight trip, there are state trout to the discerning angler. Opening of bass season usualscenic and rolling two penin- at the DNRE's Web site: forest campgrounds strategi- Fishing regulations vary by finds quantities of fair-sized sulas located in the heart of www.michigandnr.com/park- cally located at various points between sections on the rivers; large- and smallmouth bass, along the rivers.

western United States. These livery. "They belong to all of surface-feed.

The Grayling area has both cool, clear, world-renowned us and must be respected and trails and pathways for bicy-trout streams move along at a taken care of by all of us. als: grasshoppers, ants and finest freshwater fishing in the clists. Hanson Hills steady, gentle rate through Keep litter in your canoes and crickets. The warm sunny world, with more than 3,000 Recreation Area has an exten- mixed pine and hardwood use the landings provided so days are an ideal time to fish miles of Great Lakes shore-

Hanson Hills to Grayling It is not unusual to see deer, the upcoming trout fishing paintbrush and color the which approximately 1,000

heron or, occasionally, a bald The first day of trout fishing available, the Crawford eagle, while on your canoe season will also mark the County area is home to beginning of walleye, pike numerous lakes, which also Area canoe liveries offer and muskellunge fishing sea- offer excellent fishing oppor-

spend an active day in the out- State Park's trails include: length from two to six hours, The upper AuSable River Higgins Lake are the two doors, gives participants an Aspen Trail (3 miles), Weary as well as overnight canoeing and the Manistee River system largest bodies of water in the opportunity to get some exer- Legs Trail (7.5 miles) and and camping trips. Many fam- tems - two of the most stable county, offering a variety of cise while viewing some of Deer Run Trail (5 miles). A ilies pack a picnic lunch for systems in the United States - lake fishing, with Lake list of trails and pathways at their day on the river. For both offer catches of native, Margrethe giving up good "There is no better bicy- other state parks and state for- those considering an brook, brown and rainbow catches of walleye and pike.

with some areas designated, which can be fished with live The AuSable and Manistee for "flies only" and several, bait as well as artificial. Camping, a popular activity—are "Class 1" rivers, with no miles of the AuSable River for Lake Margrethe also offers types and skill levels," accord- for Michigan residents and "whitewater" or rapids. "catch and release." The bluegill and perch for the paning to the Michigan people visiting the state, Canoeists can generally majority of the waters, howev-fisherman. Higgins Lake is Department of Natural offers a wide variety of out- maneuver around the rivers' er, are open to any type of recognized as being one of the Resources and Environment door recreational activities for natural logiams and "sweep- fishing, including flies, hard- 10 most beautiful takes in the

has 11,000 lakes and 36,000. Numerous privately owned ages three to four feet deep in onset of spring and the emerg- lake trout, as well as splake. Canoeing season usually Hendricksons are usually large northern pike and is

October. Some liveries will hatches, with little pressure North of Grayling and west "Recreational staples such accommodate customers at from other river users, makes: of Lovells, off County Road in close range of the bicyclist. as hiking, camping, fishing, any time of the year. Each liverally to mid-May a popular. 612 He some small lakes that

Guests are encouraged to and spinner falls occur in late peaceful afternoon fishing

All liveries ask that hatch, which is the big a tradition - a time to get canoeists do not bring glass. Michigan Mayfly, the together and have some fish-The upper AuSable and bottles or styrofoam coolers. Hexagenia Limbata. This ing fun. Residents and out-"We have a wonderful natu- hatch brings the fly fishers in state visitors may enjoy fishpathways and use the moun- Grayling area offer some of ral resource in our rivers," large numbers as it is the time ing on both inland and Great tain bike trails," according to the finest canoeing in the mid- according to one local canoe when trophy fish regularly. Lakes' waters for all species

> this wonderful canoeing expe- the brown trout lying along line, over 11,037 inland lakes that careless hopper. As moth-streams. Included are 12,000 quiet day and cool evening Michigan's finest blue ribbon with brown and brook trout trout mainstreams."

Pines State Park, gives bicy- mink, otter, beavers, ducks, season, which officially In addition to offering two

.... tunities. Lake Margrethe and

... United States, and it is well coastline length is second some quality time with friends over the river) without too. Hatch activity generally, worth the time spent to learn

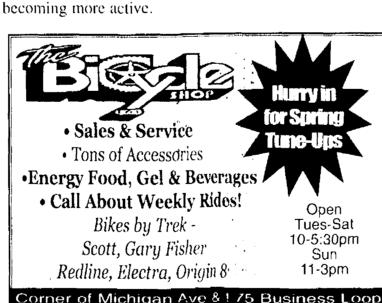
Blackstones. Higgins Lake also offers very

eye and bluegill, while By mid-May, most hatches Hargrove Lake will give a

two days – is slated for June Hatches continue through 12-13.

"For many, the annual Free minating with the "Hex" Fishing Weekend has become of fish," according to DNRE.

August brings the terrestri- "Michigan offers some of the leaves, enjoy the solitude of a miles are considered





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Softball squad posts 4-0 record in second week

Grayling sweeps Roscommon, Harbor Springs

In its second week of game action - its first was prior to spring break - Grayling High School's varsity softball team swept the Roscommon Bucks and the Harbor Springs Rams on Tuesday and Friday, respectively, in games played at

On Tuesday night - the team's first doubleheader following spring break - the Vikings posted a 10-0 victory in game one of the series vs. Roscommon, a non-conference opponent. Joni Bindschatel struck out

10 batters, allowing three hits and one walk in six shutout

Leading hitters for GHS: Bindschatel, 2 for 2, double, 2 walks, 2 runs; Cayla Johnson. 1 for 4, 1 RBI; Molly Rinckey, 2 for 3, 2 steals, 3 runs; Makenna Harwood, 2 for 3. double, 3 runs; Jordan Stephan, 2 for 2, 2 runs, 2 walks, 2 steals; Teresa Schreiber, 1 for 4, double; Kirstie Wakeley, 1 for 3, 1 RBI; Shalee Miller, 1 for 3, 1

Grayling won 7-1 in game two vs. the Bucks.

Andrea Malm pitched all seven innings for GHS. She struck out eight, scattered three hits, and didn't allow an Leading hitters: Schreiber, 3

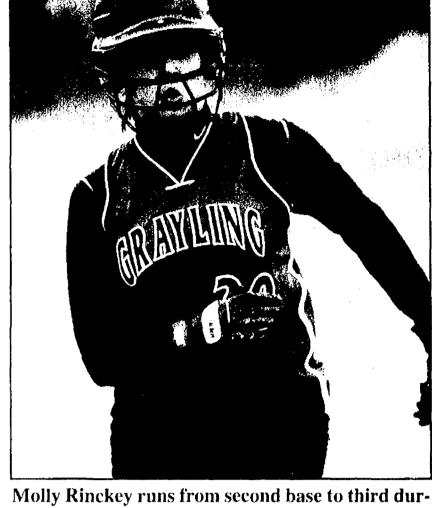
for 4, 1 RBI, 1 steal; Bindschatel, 1 for 3, triple, 1 run, 1 steal; Rinckey, 1 for 4, 1 steal; Wakeley, 2 for 3, 1 run, 3 steals; Miller, 1 for 3, 2 runs, 1 steal; Stephan, 2 walks, 2 runs. "Offensively, we were right

on track. The girls were seeing the ball well and had much better pitch selection. Joni pitched a great game, getting the shutout victory. It takes a lot of pressure off our pitchers when we can pound out hits like that," Coach Keri Brock Kelsey Neuberger, 1 for 2, 1 for 4, 1 run, 1 RBI, 1 steal. said. "In game two Andrea run, I steal. Malm continued to hit spots

and stealing a base. We need game winner," Coach Brock open," Coach Brock said. her on to jump start our said. offense in big games," Coach

a 5-2 win vs. Harbor Springs – a conference foe – in game one GHS. of the series.

run; Caitlin Prosser, 1 for 2; runs, 3 RBIs, 2 steals: Miller, 1 Brock said



ing Friday's series vs. Harbor Springs.



Second baseman Shalee Miller throws to first base during game one of last Friday's doubleheader.

was the winning pitcher for Standish on Saturday.

"Our coaching staff really Bindschatel did a phenomenal and gave up just three hits in tried to press the issue of start- job at first base, getting our seven innings. She struck out ing off league play with a win. runners to pick up every extra eight, which is a career high. We made a couple errors that base available. That aggresgave Harbor two runs but con-siveness caused several throw-"Teresa Schreiber made timed to fight. Molly Rinckey ing errors by the Harbor smart decisions from the lead- had a clutch triple in the fifth defense, which allowed us to off spot, picking up three hits inning that proved to be the break the second game wide

The Vikings (4-2 overall, 2-The Vikings posted a 16-8 0 league) will play at Harrison victory in game two vs. the on Thursday. The team will On Friday, Grayling posted visiting Rams. Bindschatel play in a tournament at

"We are batting .330 as a Leading hitters: Schreiber, 2 team up to this point. Things Malm pitched six innings, for 4, 1 steal, 2 runs; are coming together on the striking out five while allow- Bindschatel, 3 for 4, double, 3 defensive side of the ball and ing two earned runs on two runs, LRBI, Esteal; Johnson, 2 player confidence is rising. for 3, 2 runs, 2 RBIs, 3 steals; We are entering a busy part of Leading hitters for GHS: Stephan, 2 for 4, 2 runs, 2 our schedule with tournaments Bindschatel, 1 for 3, 1 run; RBIs, 1 steal; Prosser, 2 for 2, the next three weekends, so it Rinckey, 2 for 3, 2 triples, 1 2 runs, 1 RBI, 2 steals; will really allow us to gauge run; Stephan, 1 for 2, double, 1 Neuberger, 1 for 3, double, 2 where we truly are," Coach

JV softball team wins 14-4, 9-8

Grayling High School's JV Watkins, 3 for 7, double, 2 for us than game one. We softball team opened its 2010 stolen bases, 3 runs; Kelsee were down in the bottom of the season with two wins at Dean, 2 for 5, 1 RBI, 2 runs. Roscommon last Tuesday.

Watkins pitched game two.

Madi Junttila, 4 for 5, 3 triples, Taylor 4 RBIs, 6 runs; August Roscommon put the ball in triple, 2 RBIs, 4 runs; Majerle great job getting to the ball. April 23, at 4:30 p.m. Nielson, 4 for 7, 2 runs; Game two was a lot tougher

"Both games went well," The Vikings won the series Coach Sarah Allen said.

second inning 3-8 and came from behind to win in the sixth inning. We had one bad 14-4, 9-8. Taylor Duvall "Game one we played well inning, letting Roscommon pitched game one and Tabatha and worked together as a team. score several runs. Tabatha did On offense girls were putting—a great job staying focused and Leading hitters for Grayling—the ball in play and making it—getting us out. We still have a in the doubleheader were: around the bases. On defense lot to work on but had a great

The JV team (2-0 overall) Ledesma, 4 for 7, double, play and the fielders did a will host Mancelona on Friday,

Soccer team wins 2-0 at Boyne City

The GHS varsity girls soccer—offense." Tuesday.

sive, first to the ball, and did a the year. Shelby Pippin scored p.m. nice job containing their Grayling's second goal on a

gathered a loose ball, shot, Charlevoix.

pass from Hannah Haven, team won 2-0 at Boyne City in Approximately 25 minutes On Thursday night, a league game played last into the game, Ashley Moery Grayling lost 6-0 at

"The girls came out and controlled the rebound, and The Vikings (1-2 overall, 1played hard," Coach Craig passed to Arica Rockhold, who I league) will host Elk Rapids Cobb said. "We were aggres- scored Grayling's first goal of on Thursday, April 22, at 5

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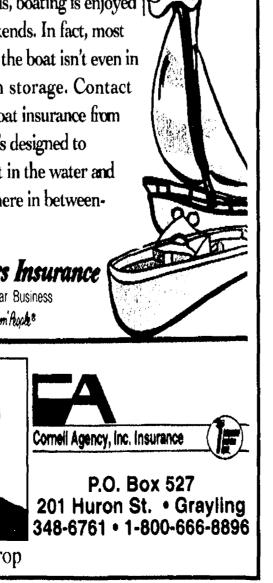
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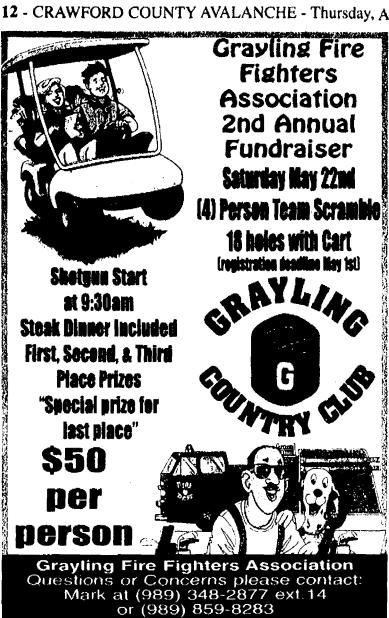
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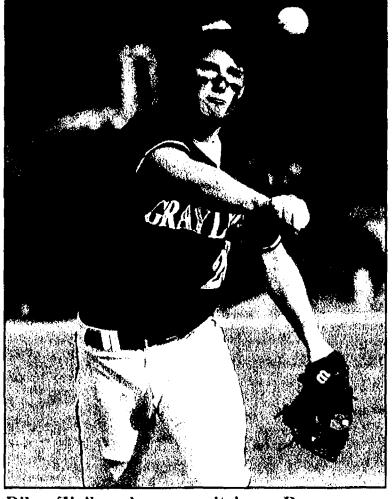
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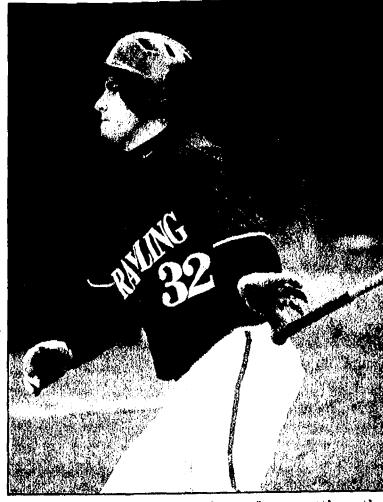




Crawford County Avalanche



Riley Zigila releases a pitch vs. Roscommon on Tuesday night.



Ethan Lewis drops his bat after putting the ball in play vs. Harbor Springs on Friday.

Baseball team sweeps Rams, Bucks

Vikings off to a 5-0-1 start after three doubleheaders

The GHS varsity baseball team swept the Roscommon Bucks – a non-conference opponent - and the Harbor Springs Rams - a Lake Michigan Conference team - in doubleheaders played at Grayling High School last

On Tuesday, in the squad's first series after spring break, Grayling defeated Roscommon 13-0,

In game one, a contest shortened by mercy rule, threw a no-hitter for Grayling.

At the plate, Zigila had a home run and three RBIs for the Vikings. Ethan Lewis was 3 for 3 with one RBI.

Luke Schneider was 2 for 2 with four RBIs. Zane Tobin had two hits and one RBI. Jensen Aubry and Taylor DesEnfants also had hits for Grayling.

In the second game, Tobin was the starting pitcher and Zach Wolcott, who picked up the win, threw in relief. Wolcott posted nine strike-

On offense, Wolcott had a home run for GHS. Aubry and DesEnfants each had sophomore Riley Zigila scored. Joe Contreras had three hits, Tobin and Lewis team is very talented in all one hit.

> "We played error free in the first game and committed two in the second. Our outfield did a great job in both games. If we play error

free we will be very tough to beat because of our strong pitching staff," Coach John Schneider said.

On Friday night, the Vikings got off to a 2-0 start in league play with two victories (14-10, 9-2) vs. the Harbor Springs Rams. Aubry pitched for GHS in

game one, striking out five and allowing eight hits. He picked up his second win of the season.

At the plate, Tyler Hanson two hits and two runs and DesEnfants each had each had two hits and two RBIs. Aubry hit a three-run home run.

> DesEnfants, game two's pitcher for Grayling, improved his season record to 2-0 with a win. He struck out five and allowed three

On offense, Zigila had two hits, including a home run. Hanson, DesEnfants, Lewis, and Contreras each had one hit.

"We were a little shorthanded in the first game with two players being disciplined. The team stepped up and battled in the first game. Joe White did a great job playing in his first game ever. We had a few errors in the first game but played error free in the second," Coach Schneider said, "Our aspects of the game. It is going to be fun to see how everything shakes out."

Saturday's Kingsley tournament was postponed.

The Vikings (5-0-1 overall, 2-0 league) will play at Harrison on Thursday, April



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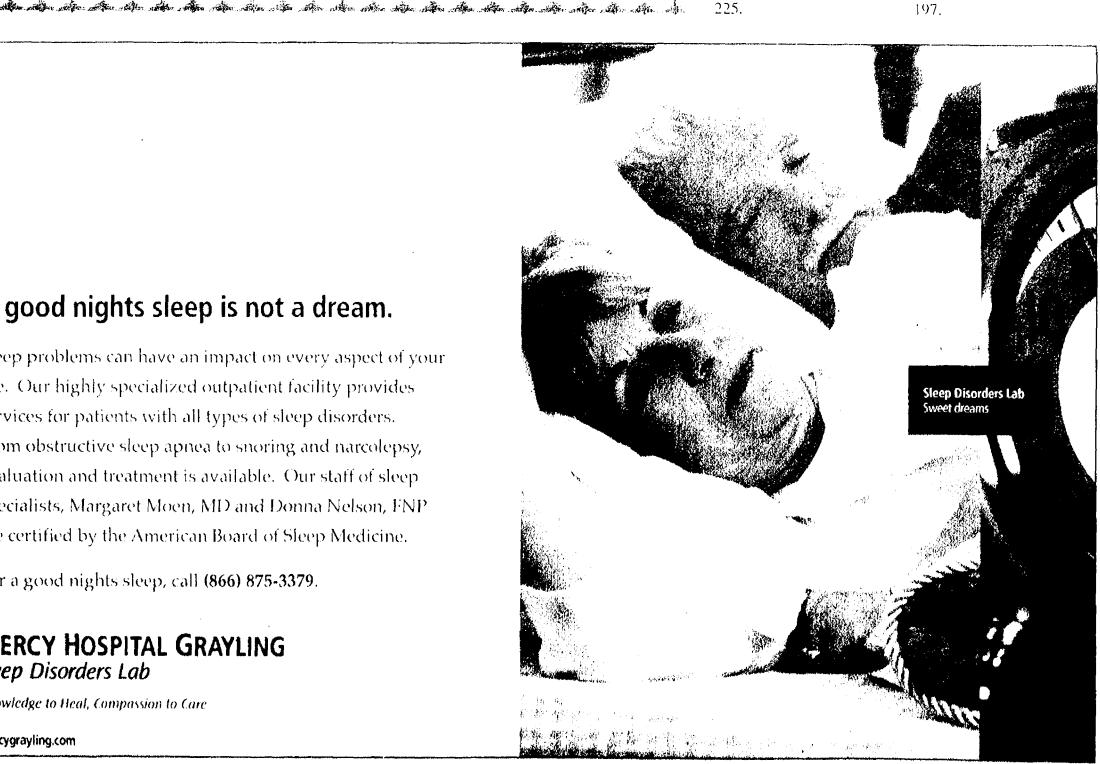
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the basket. Players carry various discs including drivers, midrange discs, putters and specialty discs.

There are Par Three, Par Four and Par Five holes on the course. Disc golf holes are measured in feet from tee to green. The longest hole will be 750 feet. The course features various loops, tunnels and obstacles.

Andre has brokered a deal with a disc supplier that will allow people to purchase three discs and a carrying bag for about \$20.

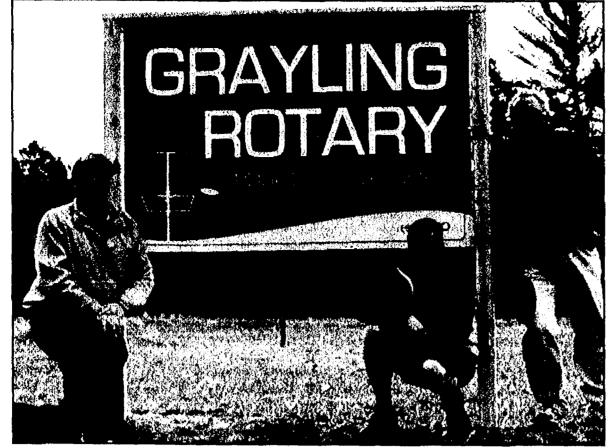
"We're doing whatever we can to help them get started," Andre said. "We don't need to make a ton of money."

Development of the disc golf course started out with two Grayling High School graduates Maverick Ginther and Ben Jones, who wanted to do something to honor their friends Ryan Davis and Josh Mastej, who died in a car accident in the fall of 2006.

A plaque at the beginning of the course will read: "The inspiration that resulted in construction of this PDGA certified course was initiated by 2005 Grayling High School graduates May Ginther and Ben Jones in remembrance of classmates and best friends Ryan Davis and Josh Mastej, who were forever lost in a tragic car accident in October of 2006. Gone...But much loved and remembered."

The Grayling Rotary Club committed \$10,000 toward the project.

A sponsorship board will be placed near the first tee pad for the disc golf course.



The Grayling Rotary Club committed \$10,000 toward the disc golf course at Hanson Hills. Above, Grayling Rotary Member Brad Summers, Justin Andre, the director of Hanson Hills, and Grayling Rotary Member Andy Moore are pictured by a sign for the disc golf course.

Donation tubes will also be placed along the course to help fund maintenance cost and future development of the course.

"This is going to be a work in progress for years to come," said Grayling Rotary Member Andy Moore, who helped spearhead the project.

John Minuchi a PDGA official and pro, and Ryan Herzog, another PDGA pro, helped design the layout of the disc golf course with Andre, who ensured that the course did not interfere with mountain bike pathways.

on a two and a half mile hike up and down Hanson Hill's ski hills.

"It's definitely Billy Goat

country," Moore said.

At one point; the course passes by a cemetery on Camp Grayling property, where two soldiers training for World War I were laid to

"You've really got to take a hike to get there, but it adds a little bit of the community's history to the course," Moore said

Justin Davis, Ryan Davis's older brother and a Grayling artist, is designing the artwork that will go on the discs that will be sold.

The first PDGA disc golf tournament will be held on The course takes players the course in August. An additional six holes will be added to the course next

Moore said that the disc

golf course would give Grayling motels and hotels, restaurants and businesses a shot in the arm when tournaments are held. He is tickled to see disc golfers out at Hanson Hills, who used to travel to surrounding communities to take part in the

"It's fun, it's great exercise, it's clean and it's free," Moore said.



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Servicer P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI

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STATE OF **MICHIGAN** PROBATE COURT **CRAWFORD COUNTY OF CRAWFORD** NOTICE TO **CREDITORS Decedent's Estate** FILE NO. 10-7734-DE

Estate of GEORGE L. WOLFE a/k/a GEORGE LEO WOLFE, DECEASED Date of birth: 9/23/1927.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS:

The decedent, GEORGE L. WOLFE a/k/a GEORGE LEO WOLFE, DECEASED, who lived at 618 Snow Road, Grayling, Michigan died 04/07/2010.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to JEFFERY A. WOLFE, named personal representative or to both the probate court at 200 W. Michigan Ave. Grayling, MI 49738 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Date 4-12-10

Attorney David R, Sabin P19822 115 E, Michigan Avenue Grayling, MI 49738 (989)348-5588

Personal Representative JEFFERY A. WOLFE 3035 64th Street SW Naples, FL 34105

NOTICE **PURSUANT TO** MCL 600.3205a(4)

NOTICE is hereby provided to Philip L Lewis, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at: 206 Chestnut St. Grayling, MI 49738-1604.

The Borrower has the right to request a meeting with the mortgage holder or mortgage servicer. The agent designated by the Mortgage Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder to contact and that has authority to make agreements under MCL sections 600.3205b and 600.3205c is: Trott & Trott, P.C., 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200, Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525 at (248) 593-

The Borrower may contact a housing counselor by visiting the Housing Michigan State Development Authority's website or by calling the Michigan State Housing Development Authority at http://www.michigan.gov/mshda or at (866) 946-7432.

If the Borrower requests a meeting with the agent designated above by contacting an approved housing counselor within 14 days from April 16, 2010, foreclosure proceedings will not be commenced until 90 days after April 16, 2010. If the Borrower and the agent designated above reach an agreement to modify the mortgage loan, the mortgage will not be foreclosed if the Borrower abides by the terms of the agreement.

The Borrower has the right to contact an attorney. The telephone number of the State Bar of Michigan's Lawyer Referral Service is (800) 968-0738.

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ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. Date: April 22, 2010

For more information, please call: FC S (248) 593-1304 Trott & Trott, P.C.

Attorneys For Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder 31440 Northwestern Highway,

Suite 200 Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525 File # 320536F01

NOTICE **PURSUANT TO** MCL 600.3205a(4)

NOTICE is hereby provided to Thomas Kelly, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at: 2443 Hillis Dr, Roscommon, MI 48653-9154.

The Borrower has the right to request a meeting with the mortgage holder or mortgage servicer. The agent designated by the Mortgage Servicer Mortgage Holder to contact and that has authority to make agreements under MCL sections 600,3205b and 600,3205c is: Trott & Trott, P.C., 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200, Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525 at (248) 593-

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For more information, please call: FC X (248) 593-1302 Trott & Trott, P.C.

Mortgage Holder 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200

Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525 File # 320413F01

STATE OF **MICHIGAN** PROBATE COURT CRAWFORD COUNTY **CIRCUIT COURT -FAMILY DIVISION PUBLICATION OF** NOTICE FILE NO. 10-7699-NC

In the matter of NOLAN SEAVER SCHULTZ

TAKE NOTICE:

A hearing will be held on a Petition for Name Change Date: Thursday, May 13, 2010 Time: 4:00 p.m.

Place: Crawford County Probate Court, Michigan Avenue Petitioner: Rachel C. Walker Proposed Name: Nolan Seaver Harwood

Date 4/16/2010

Attorney David R. Sabin P19822 115 E. Michigan Avenue Grayling, MI 49738 (989)348-5588

Personal Representative Rachel C. Walker 224 Dale Street Grayling, MI 49738

NOTICE **PURSUANT TO** MCL 600.3205a(4)

NOTICE is hereby provided to Todd Prier and Lori Prier, the borrowers and/or mortgagors thereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at: 7956 Wildwood Ln, Grayling, MI 49738-

The Borrower has the right to request a meeting with the mortgage holder or mortgage servicer. The agent designated by the Mortgage Servicer Mortgage Holder to contact and that has authority to make agreements under MCL sections 600.3205b and 600.3205c is: Trott & Trott, P.C., 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200, Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525 at (248) 593-

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THAT PURPOSE. Date: April 22, 2010 For more information, please call:

FC F (248) 593-1313 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder

31440 Northwestern Highway.

Suite 200

Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525 File # 319993F01

SYNOPSIS SOUTH **BRANCH TOWNSHIP**

Regular Board Meeting **April 13, 2010** Unapproved

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. Attending: Luck, George, Janisse, Luck and Musselman. Absent:

Pledge of Allegiance Public comment heard.

Motion by S. Luck, and seconded by Musselman, to accept agenda with changes as requested. Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion passed.

Motion by S. Luck, and seconded by Janisse, to accept consent agenda, March Regular Meeting Minutes with addition. Special Meeting Minutes, and Closed Session Minutes, bills and invoices paid, and projected bills for April, the Treasurer's Reports, and Fire/EMT Report as presented. Ayes: All. Nays: None, Motion

Motion by S. Luck, and seconded by George, to approve the Terry Platted Sub Combo request. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion passed,

Motion by Janisse and seconded by S. Luck to approve payment of invoice from The Training Network in the amount of \$413.90. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion passed.

Motion by Janisse, and seconded by Musselman, to approve for payment the invoice from attorney in the amount of \$939.00. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion passed.

Motion by Musselman, and seconded by Janisse to support the opening of S. McMasters Bridge Rd from M-72 to Lovells Typ., but not Chase Bridge Rd from Hickey Creek to M-72 should the residents petition to have those roads opened to ORV/ATV traffic. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion passed.

Motion by L. Luck, and seconded by S. Luck to accept the revised estimate for the asphalt project at the Pioneer Refuse Site in the amount of \$2,885.00, from Hodgins, and to move forward with the project. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion passed.

No public comment. Meeting adjourned at 8:56 p.m.

Legal Action

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus inter-

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Timothy R. Myers, Jr., a married man joined by his wife, Brenda J. Myers, original mortgagor(s), to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., Mortgagee, dated September 14, 2007, and recorded on September 20, 2007 in Liber 688 on Page 616, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Chase Home Finance LLC as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Three Thousand Five Hundred Seventy-Nine And 56/100 Dollars (\$73,579.56), including interest at 7% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County. at 10:00 AM, on May 12, 2010.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch. Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: A part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 7, Town 25 North, Range 2 West; Commencing at the Center 1/4 corner of said Section 7 and running thence North 88 degrees 00' West on the 1/4 line 1082.8 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 88 degrees 00' West on 1/4 line, 150 feet; thence North 2 degrees 00' East, 300 feet: thence South 88 degrees 00' East, 150 feet; thence South 2 degrees 00' West, 300 feet to the Point of Beginning

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600,3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: April 8, 2010 For more information, please call; FC S (248) 593-1304 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway,

ELECTION NOTICE

NOTICE OF SCHOOL ELECTION

TO THE ELECTORS OF

ROSCOMMON COUNTY

STATE OF MICHIGAN

ROSCOMMON AREA PUBLIC

SCHOOLS

TO BE HELD MAY 4, 2010

ALL ELECTORS OF ROSCOMMON COUNTY,

ROSCOMMON ARE PUBLIC SCHOOLS NOTICE IS

HEREBY GIVEN THAT AN ELECTION WILL BE HELD

MEMBERS: FOUR !/ EAR TERMS ENDING 6-30-2012.

ROSCOMMON AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

OPERATING MILLAGE REHEVIAL PROPOSAL (18)

FULL TEXT OF THE BALLOT PROPOSAL MAY BE

OBTAINED AT THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES OF

ROSCOMMON AREA PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT,

702 LAKE STREET, ROSCOMMON, MICHIGAN

48653, 989-275-6600 OR COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE,

500 LAKE STREET, ROSCOMMON, MICHIGAN

ROSCOMMON AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

7851 W. HIGGINS LAKE RD., HIGGINS LAKE

ELECTING TWO (2) SCHOOL BOARD

MAY 4, 2010 FOR THE PURPOSE OF:

MILLS FOR 2010)

48653, 989-275-5923.

HIGGINS TOWNSHIP

PRECINCT 1 - LYON TOWNSHIP

PRECINCT 2 - HIGGINS TOWNSHIP

BEAVER CREEK (CRAWFORD CO.)

SOUTH BRANCH (CRAWFORD CO.)

1410 N. M-76, ST. HELEN, MI

RICHFIELD TOWNSHIP

AUSABLE TOWNSHIP

GERRISH TOWNSHIP

PRECINCT 3 - RICHFIELD TOWNSHIP

PRECINCT 4 - GERRISH TOWNSHIP

2997 E. HIGGINS LAKE DRIVE ROSCOMMON

ANN M. BONK, ROSCOMMON COUNTY CLERK

500 LAKE STREET

ROSCOMMON, MICHIGAN

(989) 275-5923

700 S. FIFTH STREET, ROSCOMMON, MI

POLLING PLACES:

Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-File #309888F02

-8-15-22-29

NOTICE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLEC-TOR ATTEMPTING TO COL-LECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMA-TION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY, MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Charles H. VanBuren and Michelle A. VanBuren, husband and wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nomince for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated August 29, 2008 and recorded September 9, 2008 in Liber 692, Page 974, Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by MetLife Home Loans, a division of MetLife Bank, N.A. by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fifty-Six Thousand Two Hundred Ninety and 28/100 Dollars (\$156,290.28) including interest at 6.5% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and proyided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on MAY 12, 2010. Said premises are located in the Township of Gravling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel 1: Commencing at a point on the right of the AuSable River 133.5 feet North of the Northwest corner of the Northeast 1/4 of Southwest 1/4 of Section 12, Town 26 North, Range 4 West; thence Northwesterly upstream along said right bank 166.5 feet, thence South 369.1 feet to the center of a creek bed; thence Easterly along said creek bed 591.0 feet to a point 62.5 feet East of a bridge over said creek; thence North 90.1 feet to the right bank of the AuSable River thence North 44 degrees 49 minutes West 225.0 feet to a point on said right bank between the old power house and the spillway; thence Northwesterly along said right bank 220.0 feet to the point of beginning, Parcel 2: Commencing at the Southwest corner of the Southeast 1/4 of Northwest 1/4 of Section 12, Town 26 North, Range 4 West; thence North 0 degrees 46 minutes 30 seconds East on the 1/8 line 133.5 feet; thence South 64 degrees 20 minutes 30 seconds East 155 feet; thence North 45 degrees 57 minutes 30 seconds East 78 feet for the place of beginning; running thence North 45 degrees 57 minutes 30 seconds East along the

to the center of Spill Way; thence Southeasterly along the center of Spill Way 50 feet more or less to Mill Pond, thence South 32 degrees 18 minutes West along the Mill Pond 38.25 feet; thence North 44 degrees 49 minutes West 58.3 feet more or less to the place of beginning, being part of the Southeast 1/4 of Northwest 1/4 of Section 12, Town 26 North, Range 4 West. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance MCLA with 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. If you are a tenant in the property, please contact our office as you may have certain rights. Dated: April 8, 2010 Orlans Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Servicer P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041 248-502-1400 File No. 238.7978 ASAP# 3515245 04/15/2010, 04/08/2010,

AuSable River back water 32 feet

04/22/2010, 04/29/2010 -8-15-22-29

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus inter-

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by John M. Hartman and Sharon K. Hartman, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nomince for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns. Mortgagee, dated October 31, 2006, and recorded on November 6, 2006 in Liber 684 on Page 62, and assigned by said Mortgagee to The Huntington National Bank as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Three Thousand Three Hundred Ninety-Eight And 03/100 Dollars (\$93,398,03), including interest at

6.75% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided. notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on May 19, 2010. Said premises are situated in Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, and

are described as: PARCEL 1: Commencing at the Northwest corner of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 19, Town 25 North, Range 3 West, thence South along Township line 92 rods for a place of beginning; thence South along Township line 8 rods; thence East at right angles to Township line 20 rods; thence North parallel to said Township line 8 rods; thence West at right angles 20 rods to place of beginning, a part of Southwest 1/4 of Southwest 1/4: of Section 19, Town 25 North, Range 3 West.

PARCEL 2: Being a part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 19, Town 25 North, Range 3 West, commencing at the Southwest corner of Section 19. Town 25 North, Range 3 West; thence North 89 degrees 07 minutes 03 seconds East along the South Section line 330.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 20 minutes 00 seconds East 660.00 feet for a point of beginning; thence continuing North 00 degrees 20 minutes 00 seconds East 446.34 feet; thence South 89 degrees 40 minutes 00 seconds East at right angles to the West Section line 329.93 feet; thence South 00 degrees 20 minutes 00 seconds West 439.38 feet; thence South 89 degrees 07 minutes 30 seconds West 330.00 feet to the point of beginning. The redemption period shall be 12

months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in with MCLA accordance 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: April 15, 2010 For more information, please call: FC F (248) 593-1313 Trott & Trott, P.C.

Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-

File #314011F01 -15-22-29-6

MORTGAGE SALE

SCHNEIDERMAN & SHER-MAN, P.C., IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT, ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE, PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT (248)539-7400 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILI-TARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by WAYNE F. GRODE and CHERYL A. GRODE, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns., Mortgagee, dated May 23, 2008, and recorded on July 9, 2008, in Liber 692, on Page 282, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Four Thousand Three Hundred Seventy-Six Dollars and Forty Cents (\$64,376,40), including interest at 6.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan, at 10:00 AM o'clock, on May 19, 2010

Said premises are located in Crawford County, Michigan and are described as:

THE WEST 165 FEET OF THE EAST 495 FEET OF THE SOUTHEAST 1 / 4 OF THE SOUTHEAST 174 OF SECTION 2, TOWN 27 NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: April 6, 2010 Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and

Mortgagee/Assignee

Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C. 23938 Research Drive, Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335 -15-22-29-6

FORECLOSURE NOTICE

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a

CITY OF GRAYLING **RESIDENTS** 2010 SCHEDULE FOR YARD WASTE PICK UP

TUESDAY APRIL 20 TUESDAY MAY 04 & 18 WEDNESDAY JUNE 02 TUESDAY JUNE 15 **TUESDAY** 20 JULY **TUESDAY** AUG. 03 & 17 WEDNESDAY SEPT. 08 **TUESDAY** SEPT. 21 **TUESDAY** 05 & 19 OCT. **TUESDAY** NOV. 02 & 16

Yard waste shall include grass, leaves, weeds, garden waste, hedge trimmings, nuts, discarded fruit, small twigs, branches less than one-inch in diameter, cut into four foot sections securely bundled. All yard waste must be placed at the curb in biodegradable paper bags or reusable rigid containers, 30-gallon size or smaller plainly marked "Yard waste". Any bag, container or bundle must not exceed 60lbs.

For more details and prohibited collections visit the website at www.cityofgrayling.org or the City Offices at 1020 City Boulevard.

certain mortgage made by Majestic Hills Development, Inc., a Michigan corporation, Mortgagor, to Wolverine Bank, Mortgagee, dated March 10, 2006, and recorded on March 13, 2006, in Liber 680, on page 165, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due on the date of this notice the sum of Two Hundred Sixty Two Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy and 64/100 Dollars (\$262,970.64). including interest accruing at 25.00% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door to the County Building in Grayling, Michigan, at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, May 12, 2010. The Mortgagee will apply the sales proceeds to the debt secured by the Mortgage as stated above, plus interest accruing at 25,00% per annum, all legal costs and expenses, including attorney fees allowed by law; and also any amount paid by the Mortgagee to protect its interest in the property. The land subject to the mortgage is described as follows:

Said premises are situated in the Township of Beaver, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, described as follows:

Unit(s) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26 and 27 of Majestic Hills Court Condominium, a condominium established by Master Deed. recorded in Liber 676, Page(s) 84, Crawford County Records, and being designated as Crawford County Condominium Subdivision Plan No. 16, as amended, with rights in the general common elements and limited common elements as set forth in the Master Deed and as described in Act 59 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1978, as amended. -

Tax Parcel ID Nos.: 052-350-000-

001-00 (Unit 1); 052-350-000-002-00 (Unit 2); 052-350-000-003-00 (Unit 3); 052-350-000-004-00 (Unit 4): 052-350-000-005-00 052-350-000-012-00 (Unit 12); 052-350-000-013-00 (Unit 13); 052-350-000-014-00 (Unit 14); 052-350-000-016-00 (Unit 16); 052-350-000-017-00 (Unit 17); 052-350-000-018-00 (Unit 18); 052-350-000-020-00 (Unit 20); 052-350-000-021-00 (Unit 21); 052-350-000-022-00 (Unit 22): 052-350-000-023-00 (Unit 23); 052-350-000-024-00 (Unit 24); 052-350-000-025-00 (Unit 25); 052-350-000-026-00 (Unit 26); and 052-350-000-027-00 (Unit 27)

Together with all equipment, fixtures and articles of personal property now or hereafter attached to or used in or about the land and improvements, including all Personal Property as defined in the Mortgage.

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be thirty (30) days from the date of such

Dated: April 8, 2010

Wolverine Bank, Mortgagee Simon, Galasso & Frantz, PLC Attorneys for Mortgagee Robert S. Bolton, Esq. 363 W. Big Beaver Rd., Suite 250 Troy, MI 48084 (248) 720-0290

-8-15-22-29-6

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by George K Bindschatel and Kimberly M. Bindschatel Husband and Wife as Tenants, Joint original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 25, 2008, and recorded on July 3, 2008 in Liber 692 on Page 232, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Ninety-Nine Thousand Six Hundred Eighty And 71/100 Dollars (\$199,680.71), including interest at 5.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in

such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County. at 10:00 AM, on May 5, 2010.

Said premises are situated in

Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel No.1: Being part of the northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 2, Town 27 North, Range 4 West, described as Commencing at the Southwest corner of the West 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 2, Town 27 North, Range 4 West, thence North 89 degrees 50 minutes East 563.2 feet, thence North 9 degrees 35 minutes East, 1323.7 feet, thence North 27 degrees 35 minutes East, 282.85 feet to a stake and the Point of Beginning: thence North 80 degrees 25 minutes West, 100 feet, thence North 16 degrees 42 minutes East 100.8 feet, thence South 80 degrees 25 minutes East 120 feet, thence South 27 degrees 35 minutes West 105.15 feet to the Point of Beginning. Including all riparian right to the Ausable River on the Westerly side of said Tract of ingress and egress over and across the 30 foot private easements running in a Southerly direction from said tract.

and Parcel No. 2: Commencing at a point which is North 89 degrees 25 minutes 12 seconds East 902.29 feet from the Northwest corner of Section 2, Town 27 North, Range 4 West, thence South 1 degree 55 minutes 06 seconds West, 279.36 feet, thence South 79 degrees 33 minutes 06 seconds East, 33.74 feet, thence South 4 degrees 20 minutes 06 seconds East 179.13 feet, thence South 4 degrees 09 minutes 54 seconds East 400.0 feet, thence South 28 degrees 04 minutes 54 seconds West, 32.0 feet to the Point of Beginning: thence South 79 degrees 55 minutes 06 seconds East, 153.09 feet, thence South 1 degree 00 minutes 20 seconds West, 101.27 feet, thence North 79 degrees 35 minutes 06 seconds West, 201.56 feet thence North 28 degrees 04 minutes 54 seconds East, 105.15 feet to the Point of Beginning being a part of the West 1/2 of the Fri Northwest 1/4 of Section 2, Town 27 North, Range 4 West, Frederic Township, Crawford County, Michigan. The redemption period shall be 6

months from the date of such sale. unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600,3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: April 1, 2010

For more information, please call: FC F (248) 593-1313 Trott & Trott, P.C.

Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200

Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525

File #309903F01

-1-8-15-22

NOTICE **PURSUANT TO** MCL 600.3205a(4)

NOTICE is hereby provided to Merl C Kenney and Gail L Kenney. the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at: 3060 W Jones Lake Rd, Grayling, MI 49738-8703.

The Borrower has the right to request a meeting with the mortgage holder or mortgage servicer. The agent designated by the Mortgage Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder to contact and that has authority to make agreements under MCL sections 600.3205b and 600.3205e is: Trott & Trott, P.C., 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200, Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525 at (248) 593-1301

The Borrower may contact a housing counselor by visiting the Michigan State Housing Development Authority's website or by calling the Michigan State Housing Development Authority at http://www.michigan.gov/mshda or at (866) 946-7432.

If the Borrower requests a meeting with the agent designated above by contacting an approved housing counselor within 14 days from April 16, 2010, foreclosure proceedings will not be commenced until 90 days after April 16, 2010. If the Borrower and the agent designated above reach an agreement to modify the mortgage foan, the mortgage will not be foreclosed if the Borrower abides by the terms of

The Borrower has the right to contact an attorney. The telephone number of the State Bar of Michigan's Lawyer Referral Service is (800) 968-0738.

the agreement.

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLEC-TOR ATTEMPTING TO COL-LECT A DEBT.

ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Date: April 22, 2010 For more information, please call: FC C (248) 593-1301

Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder 31440 Northwestern Highway,

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A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE



April 23, 1987 - The Grayling High School Forensics Team took home its 5th team trophy of the 1987 invitational season, at the Freeland High School Individual Events Tournament. Shown here (from left to right) back row: Chris Bindschatel, Kim McDonough, Stacey Gizinski, Becky Ewing, Lori Dean, Jamie Montoya, Chris Thompson; front row: Shelly Brooks, Andrea Bedard and Lezlie Holden.

23 Years Ago April 23, 1987

Last October, 1986, three brown trout were implanted with radio transmitters on the South Branch of the AuSable River, as part of a two-year research project, The study, by the University of Michigan, the DNR and the Michigan Fly Fishing Club, is to provide information about trout behavior, preferred habitat, feeding times and movement. The trout implanted with transmitters are 20 to 25 inches in length and can plentiful populations.

be identified by an approximately one inch sear between the pelvic fin and anal vent on the left side of each fish. A small radio transmitter is implanted into the body cavity of the fish. Anyone catching these fish is asked to notify the University of Michigan

graduate student. Anglers on the AuSable and Manistee Rivers as well as Kneff Lake can look forward in the near future to a bonus fish as grayling have been planted there, with the hopes of restoring once

It didn't take Marion Welsh 150 years to make her latest quilt, it took two and a half months, but she truly has a sesquicentennial quilt. In honor Michigan's 150th birthday, local quilter Marion Welsh made a 4 1/2 x 5 1/2 foot wall hanging, showing the entire state of Michigan. She used 83 different fabrics for each county and there are 24 squares showing unique place and things in Michigan.

46 Years Ago April 23, 1964

Grayling High School has named Linda Gothro as the valedictorian for the 1964 graduating class Victoria McEvers was chosen as the salutatorian.

Cheryl Smock, a junior at Grayling High School, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Smock, was selected by the Student Exchange Council as this years exchange student. She will go to Spain this summer and spend two months with a family in that country.

The Grayling High School track team lost their first meet of the season at the Grayling Memorial Recreation Area. The loss was to the Mancelona Ironmen by a margin of 75 1/2 to 63 1/2. Taking first place for Grayling were Curt Feldhauser in the high hurdles, Jim Young in the food and drug department. 440 yard dash, Bill Joseph

in the 220 yard dash, Young in the high jump, Gary Lucksted in shot put and also in the broad jump. Also the relay team consisting of Young, Joseph, Terry Smith and Randy Thompson won the 880 yard relay.

Mrs. Richard Lovely entertained a few little girls to celebrate the fifth birthday of her granddaughter, Lisa Ann Gannon. Games were played and prizes were won by Gina Goss and Gail Goss.

69 Years Ago April 24, 1941

Jens Ziebell enjoyed a few days vacation from his duties at the Connine grocery during the weekend. He spent it in Detroit, where he saw the Tigers beat the Cleveland Indians.

Richard Lovely and family have moved to the Military Reservation at Lake Margrethe, having sold their home on Elm Street to Philip Quigley.

92 Years Ago April 25, 1918

Tony Nelson has sold his interest in the blacksmith shop to his partner, John Schram.

Eight ounces of intoxicating liquor is the limit which any person may have in his possession without a prescription after May 1. That is the ruling of the State

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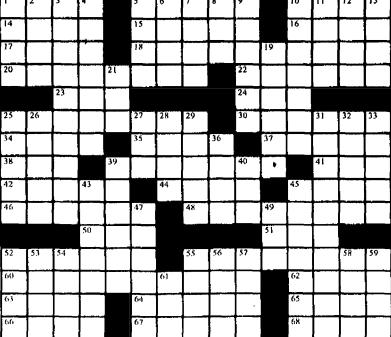
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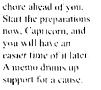
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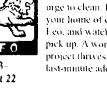
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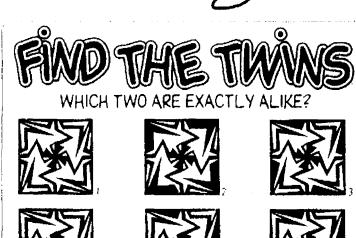
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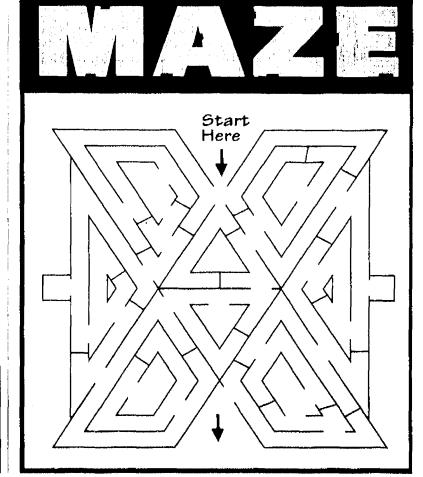
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RECIPE OF THE WEEK



MEXICAN CHICKEN **C**ASSEROLE

Ingredients: 3/4 lb. boneless skinless

chicken breasts, cut into bite-size pieces 1 tsp. ground cumin 1 green pepper, chopped 1-1/2 cups chunky salsa 2 oz. (1/4 of 8-oz. pkg.) neufchatel cheese, cubed

1 can (15 oz.) no-salt-added black beans, rinsed 1 tomato, chopped 2 whole wheat tortillas (6 inch) 1/2 cup Mexican Style

four cheese, divided

finely shredded

Directions: HEAT oven to 375°F. **COOK** and stir chicken and cumin in non-stick skillet sprayed with cooking spray on medium heat 2 min. Add peppers; cook 2 min., stirring occasionally. Stir in salsa; cook 2 min. Add Neufchatel; cook 2 min. or until melted. Stir in beans and tomatoes. SPOON 1/3 of chicken mixture into 8-inch square baking dish; cover with 1 tortilla and half each of the remaining chicken mixture and shredded cheese. Top with remaining tortilla and chicken mixture; cover. BAKE 20 min. or until heated through. Sprinkle with remaining shredded cheese; bake, uncovered, 5 min. or until melted.

> Prep Time: 20 min Total Time: 45 min Makes: 4 servings

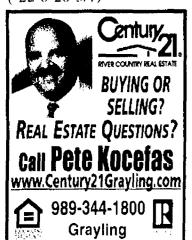
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1. Real Estate

WARBLER'S HIDE-AWAY LOTS Two adjoining wooded lots at Warblers Hideaway (20 miles east of Grayling), approximately 150 x 150 together, Lots 191 and 192 are located on the SW corner of paved E. North Down River Road and Morley Road, Build a home or camp at one of Warbler's 45 campsites. Association membership includes access to fishing and hunting areas and use of the heated inground swimming pool and more. Near state lands and trails, \$3,400 for both. Call Darwin Cook at 734-439-1854 or 734-548-0462. (-22-6-20-3/1)



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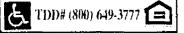
Cobble Creek II **Apartments**

a family community located in Grayling, MI is currently accepting applications for 1 Bedroom, 2 Bedrooms Apartments.

Units of barrier free design may also be available. Rent is based on income.

For affordable housing call 989-348-3150

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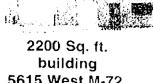


Grayling Pines Apartments

Grayling Pines Apartments currently accepting applications for 1-and 2apartments. bedroom Income-based rent Apartments available. feature walk-in closets, air conditioning and open living areas and private patios/ balconies. Rent includes heat, domestic hot water and more. For more information, or to tour the property please call (989)344-0020. Equal Housing Opportunity.

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1. Real Estate

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HOUSE with 10 or 20 acres, 1 3/4 bath, 3 - 4 bedrooms, 30 x 40 garage near state land. Call 614 275-5955. Price reduced. (-22-29-6/1)

2. For Rent

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3 - 4 BEDROOM 3 bath log home on East Branch, 563-370-5104. (-1-8-15-22/2)

2. For Rent

WHISPERING PINES APARTMENTS

Whispering Pines Apartments currently accepting applications for 1-and 2-bedroom apartments. We are accepting applications for Seniors 62 years of age and older and Handicap/Disabled persons, regardless of age. Income-based rent is available. Apartments feature walk-in closets, air conditioning and open living areas. Rent includes heat, domestic hot water and more For more information, or to tour the property, please call (989)344-0020.

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3. Employment

Marine/Motorcycle mechanic. Established business. experience necessary. Must have own tools. Call for details: 989-390-5998

2. For Rent

COMMERCIAL BUILD-ING FOR RENT 6251 M-72 West, 1/2 mile from city. Large parking lot, 840 sq. ft, suitable for office, retail, beauty shop, \$550 month, 348-4716. (1/11/10/f/2)

NICE CLEAN TWO BEDROOM mobile with washer/dryer, appliances and garage \$450 plus deposit. No pets, 348-2418. (-18-25-8-22/2)

COZY SMALL HOUSE near town. 2 BR/1Bath, W/D hook up, non smoking, no pets, seniors preferred \$450/mo, 989-390-2908. (-4/1/10/tf/2)

NICE CLEAN THREE **BEDROOM** ranch home. Natural gas, full basement, garage, non-smoking \$695. 142 Wilcox Bridge Road, phone 348-2178. 3/22/10/tf/2)

FOR RENT/LEASE 5 bedrooms close to Camp Grayling and Lake Margrethe. No pets, no smoking. Call 989 619-9486, leave a message. Available June 1. (-22/2)

CABINS (SMALL) AT LOST ACRES Cabin #1 \$275, #3 \$300, including utilities, walk to Blue Gill Lake. No pets, 11010 N. Old US-27. Mike at 231-590-3699 or Leo 877-227-6975. (4/08/10tf/2)

3. Employment

Lumber and Bëst Rental Center Help Wanted: Open position for full/part-time cashier. Please apply in person at **Dubois Lumber**

6593 West M-72, Grayling

Interested in conservation

and want to make a difference? With a \$6,035 living stipend, health insurance and education award, the Huron Pines AmeriCorps program provides an opportunity to develop as a resource professional in the conservation community. The program is based in Grayling and members will be placed with regional conservation organizations including: Conservation Resource Alliance (Traverse City), Grand Traverse Conservation District (Traverse City), Headwaters Chapter of Trout Unlimited (Gaylord), Huron Pines (Grayling), Little Traverse Conservancy (Harbor Springs), Michigan Sea Grant (Alpena) and Saginaw Basin Land Conservancy (Bay City). This is a 900-hour position running from May through October 2010. Visit http://www.huronpines.org/project/65 or call (989) 344-0753 x 30 to apply.

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part-time

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2. For Rent

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FOR RENT 3 BED-**ROOMS** 1 bath duplex, great location 1 1/2 miles from Grayling \$600 per month plus security deposit, references required 989-390-2188. (-SGF-22-29/2)

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3. Employment

TAXI CAB DRIVERS NEEDED in Grayling. Good driving record. Prefer chauffeur's license. Call 989-560-6848. (-22/3)

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The hearing will be held as follows:

DATE: Monday, May 24, 2010

TIME: 10:00 a.m.

Agency

2375 Gordon Road Alpena, Michigan 49707

A summary of the plan will be available at the hearing, or upon request 15 days prior to the public hearing. Copies may be obtained at the Region 9 Area Agency on Aging, 2375 Gordon Road, Alpena or by calling (989) 356-3474 ext. 261.

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lic hearing on its proposed Annual Implementation Plan for Fiscal Year 2011. The plan will address the distribution of funds and provision of services under the Older Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle and Roscommon.

PLACE: Northeast Michigan Community Service

Written testimony accepted through June 11, 2010.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

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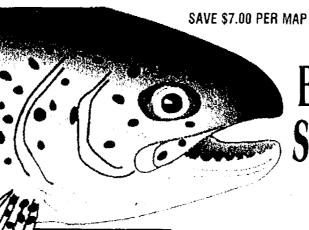
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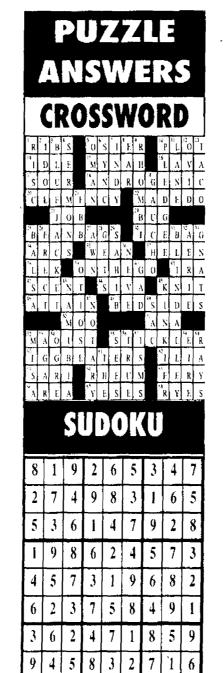
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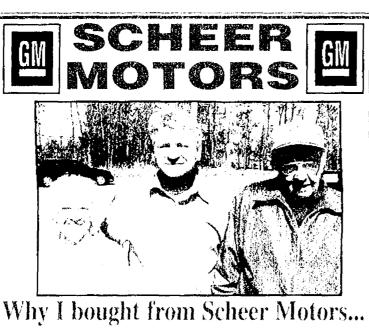
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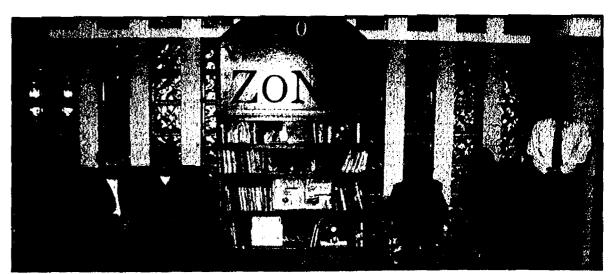
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The "Reads to Kids Zone" was recently established in the Crawford County Courthouse after the construction to the entrance of the courthouse was completed. Above, County Commissioner Cathy Rogers, Friends for the Crawford County Library System member Carol Raybuck, Friends of the Crawford County Library System President Laura Purtill, Chief 46th Trial Court Judge Janet M. Allen, Friends of the Crawford County Library System member Cathy Rowe and Chief Probate/87C District Court Judge Monte J. Burmeister are pictured in the "Read to Kids Zone."

'Read to Kids Zone' comes to fruition at the Crawford County Courthouse

Continued from Page 1 then again after the in courtroom presence requirement was satisfied. However, even following that practice, the Presiding Judge of the Family Court, Hon. Monte J. Burmeister, noticed that oftentimes children, although in the lobby, spent their time watching the proceedings and the people they knew who were sitting in the witness stand testifying.

It was with that backdrop that the Probate Court starting researching alternatives to this scenario. Thus was born the "Read to Kids Zone."

In the course of doing the research, Judge Burmeister learned that the Grand Traverse County Probate Court had created a "Read to Kids Zone." After making an on-site visit to Grand Traverse County, Judge Burmeister determined that such a "Zone" in Crawford County might appropriately re-direct a child from the Courtroom proceedings while present in the building.

The concept of the "Read to Kids Zone" was that a child present in the Courthouse, whether their presence was required for testimony or otherwise, could read a book or is read to by a caregiver. When it was time to leave they could take their book with them to keep. This would re-direct the child's attention and promote literacy.

After further research by Judge Burmeister, a grant opportunity for free books was also identified. In April of 2009, the Probate Court successfully wrote a grant request for books to Lisa's Library Foundation out of New York. In late summer of 2009, Lisa's Libraries sent 254 brand new books to the Court to be given away to children who had to be at the Courthouse.

With the approval of the grant in hand, the Probate Court approached the Crawford County Board of Commissioners with the concept, and they readily appropriated lobby space for a "Read to Kids Zone."

After use of lobby space was approved by County Commissioners for the "Read to Kids Zone" endeavor, the Friends of the Crawford County Library System became aware of the project and expressed their interest in it as well,

Recognizing another avenue in which to promote literacy within Crawford County, the Friends of the Crawford County Library System graciously donated several boxes of books. The Friends of the Crawford County Library System also provided monetary support for the purchase of additional books and materials to help construct the "Zone."

"The Friends of the Crawford County Library are proud to be part of this project," said Laura Purtill, president of the Friends of the Crawford County Library System. "Books are an integral part of promoting literacy and encouraging library

With the planning infrastructure in place, all that remained was construction of the "Zone." "Zone" construction had to await the conclusion of the construction on the County building entrance. One of the phases of the Construction at the Courthouse was replacement of the public seating benches in the Courtrooms. With removal of the old benches from the Courtrooms, Court Administrator Thomas Haskel, Crawford County Maintenance Director Brad Robinson and Judge Burmeister set about constructing the "Zone" bookcase using wood recycled from the old benches removed from Courtrooms.

Chief 46th Circuit Trial Court Judge Janet Allen applauded Burmeister's efforts to spearhead and implement this very important "Read to Kids Zone" project.

"Attending Court is often a very stressful experience for adults." Allen said. "For children. Court can be even more confusing and stressful. I wholeheartedly agree that children should be protected as much as possible from any negative effects of Court attendance."

Summing up the project, Judge Burmeister said, "Inthe end, while we would all prefer children not be present at the Courthouse while sensitive matters are being heard, sometimes there is no way around it. Hopefully, when that happens in the future, we now have a way to protect them from observing and hearing things that as children they should not have to be exposed to. I'm proud to be part of a collaborative community effort that benefits children and promotes literacy."



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